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VERY LATEST.

Good Day for Dreyfus.

RENNES, France, Sept. 1.—This has not been an unlucky Friday for Captain Dreyfus on trial here for treason, tho the Generals (as the prosecution is designated) are making a desperate effort to again commit him.

Most of the depositions today were favorable to Dreyfus, tho given by the prosecution.

Many somewhat obscure, or publicly unknown witnesses testified, but it is thought signally failed to strengthen the case for the prosecution.

Burst Their Boiler.

PITTSBURG, Penn., Sept. 1.—The boiler of the Republic Iron Works exploded this morning, killing four and injuring seven others. The plant was heavily damaged. The cause of the explosion is unknown.

Old Settler Dead.

Mathew Kent, after much suffering, died of cancer at his home in Harmon at 10 o'clock Thursday evening, Aug. 31, aged 83 years. Funeral service will be held in the Catholic church in Harmon Saturday morning at ten o'clock, and the body will be brought to Dixon for burial in Oakwood cemetery. Mr. Kent was born in County Kilkenny, Ireland, and coming to this country was for some years a resident of Dixon; though for seventeen years past his home has been in Harmon, where he leaves an aged wife but no children, his son and daughter having died several years ago.

An Explanation.

Many persons are wondering at the length of the list of old settlers deceased during the past year as published in the report of the recent meeting of the association, and smiling as they read the names of comparatively young men. The explanation is this: When the Association was organized, in 1873, none but the pioneers were regarded as old settlers. Subsequently those who settled in the country prior to the war of '61 were admitted to membership and designated as old settlers. Now it is legitimate to regard as an old settler anyone who has had a residence in the county of not less than twenty-five years, and as there is nothing to designate the manner of his arrival—whether by immigration or birth—paradoxical as it may seem, many a young man is an old settler, and there are some on the list who were not born when the Association was organized.

Lake Geneva Excursion a Success.

The day excursions over the Chicago & North-Western line are growing in favor with the people of Dixon, and the excursion Wednesday to Lake Geneva was one of the best ever given. People are learning to appreciate the rest of mind gained by a day taken from their work and spent among new scenes. Nothing will drive care away like a few hours spent by the wooded shores or on the quiet waters of Lake Geneva, and it is to be regretted that the last trip of the year has been made. Dixon people are to be congratulated from the fact that they are especially favored by having their party personally conducted, thus gaining a great advantage in comfort and increased opportunity for sight seeing. Agent F. L. Murray has gone with the party each time and we feel moved to compliment him upon the pains he has taken to provide for the comfort and pleasure of the party. Left to themselves the party would go with the crowd of excursionists to the end of the line at Williams Bay, which is half way down the shore of the lake and back in an inlet; here they would board a large steamer and be taken across the lake—seven miles—and back, where they would wait for the return train. Before the train leaves Dixon Mr. Murray goes among the people and makes up his party of all who wish to join it and instructs them in their future movements. They leave the train at the town of Geneva, which is situated at the head of the lake, and there take a private boat at the same price as the public boat and make the entire circuit of the lake, a trip of 36 miles. At Kay's Park, a beautiful resort, they stop for dinner, and in a quiet grove overlooking the lake they eat the lunch brought with them, or go to the well-appointed restaurant at the park and get a warm meal. This is truly a delightful way to spend a day's outing and the opening of next season's excursions will be looked forward to by many who are just learning to appreciate these opportunities.

HON. R. R. HITT'S ADDRESS
Before the Lee County Old Settlers' Association.

The following synopsis of Congressman Hitt's address at the Old Settlers' Reunion in Amboy, Wednesday afternoon was crowded out of our paper yesterday. After a brief introduction by the president of the Association, Mr. Hitt spoke substantially as follows:

Early Settlers of Lee County and Fellow Citizens all:

Your gathering today is a reunion of something more than early settlers. That body, once numerous, grows less each year, for to the corps of pioneers there are no recruits, but your gatherings grow greater year by year. These gatherings that increase in interest have long been held in your county, and here with those who never can realize that this country was other than now it is, are the men who were here, and helped to win the land from savagery. All this within the span of a single lifetime. This is in startling contrast with the counties of the earlier settled East. Speaker Reed once remarked that it was a singular fact that the people of the West took so much more interest in such gatherings as this than did the people of the East. The reason is plainly to be seen in the complexion of the audience before me. Here the very men and women who made the history of this broad fertile land are still with us. We can still clasp them by the hand and listen to their voices as they recount the stirring scenes of the past, all of which they saw and a part of which they were.

I am not a citizen of your county; but I am proud to be your near neighbor. As a child I have often ridden to Dixon; we in Mt. Morris used to make our purchases there.

I drove a team (two yoke of oxen) in 1851 with a load of oats to Peoria. Since then all the villages from Palestine Grove to Lamolite have filled up. Then the road was one broad expanse of prairie, beautiful to the eye in its summer garb of verdure and many-colored blossoms—Nature's veritable flower-garden. But today how different. Not one in three in the crowd before me ever saw a prairie in this prairie state. Not half of you ever saw a blade of prairie grass in its beauty. There are no longer any prairie fires, that used to rush with the speed of a race horse over miles of matted and dried grass in the fall of the year. I have counted fifteen such fires at one time, when a boy. Not a boy here ever saw one. Where we can now scarcely get a mile beyond the sound of the locomotive whistle, the howl of the prairie wolf was the only sound that disturbed the stillness. Now another kind of wolves do the business.

You think of old settlers as a set of old fellows; but in those days there was not an old person in the whole community. These old people were then in the flower of youth and in the strength of vigorous young manhood womanhood. Out from the homes and the farms of the East, flowed a stream of its best blood, and the lovely Rock River Valley became a land of youth and the home of a race of brave and vigorous young people. We boys can remember it all. There were no towns; but here and there a solitary home, with plenty of breathing space between. Dixon's Ferry was a settlement with a few houses and a lot of stumps in it—a clearing in the woods that skirted the then clear crystal stream of Rock River.

The men of those days had hardships to bear; but the women had it harder. Away from the refined society of the East, in a little cabin surrounded by immense walls of growing corn, nothing in sight but the green earth and the blue sky; alone, alone, alone, all day. Thus the pioneer mother lived, with no company but the faces of her little children. Amid all the experiences of those days, the heart loneliness of the noble pioneer mother was the saddest of it all, as memory reverted to all that was left; and she was only nerved for the trials and toils of life by the unselfish thought of what she was doing to build a glorious future for those who were to come after her. This was the gleam of sunshine that gilded the edges of the cloud of sorrow.

There were three men to one woman in the push that made the West what it is. And the men found many congenial ways to while away the time while providing for the wants of their growing families. The country then was one vast hunting ground and the streams were populous with fish. Game of all kinds was so plentiful as to make a man long for a slice of salt pork. Then the men had their stories of adventure, in which some of them still like to indulge, stories that have lost nothing by being covered with the

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Margaret's Objection.
"How does it go, if I may ask?"
Said Margaret, the maid,
"I'll show you how, I'll show you how,"
The gallant driver said.
"It needs no horse to draw it—
It pushes itself, you know;
This lever here it starts and stops
And runs it fast or slow;
This wheel is what you steer it with
Wherever you want to go—
It's just the thing to ride in
Of a morning."
"It takes a knack to run it,"
Said Margaret, the maid,
"A little knack, a little knack,"
The modest driver said.
"You have to use both hands, I guess?"
"You have to have a watchful eye?"
"Indeed, a watchful pair!"
Said Margaret the fair;
"It's not much taken with it."
Of an evening. —Register-Gazette.

—Victor Anderson is home from Du-
buque.
—Frank Robinson left for Philadel-
phia this morning.
—Mrs. J. W. Stephens left for Green
Castle, Penn., this morning.
—Elam Hill and Chas. Hahn took
the morning train for Philadelphia.
—Gustav O. Wendel starts tomorrow
for a boat trip on the Great Lakes.
—Roderick Wilson is taking in the
sights of Moline and Rock Island to-
day.
—Mr. and Mrs. James Seybert, son
and daughter, left this morning for
Susquehanna and New York.

—The Chicago & Northwestern Ry.
Co. will run an excursion train to Clin-
ton, Iowa, Sunday, Sept. 19.

—Mrs. W. C. Budlong, nee Minnie
Emery, is visiting at the home of her
mother on West First street.

—John Yetter the III, a young boy
from Steward, is visiting at the John
Edwards home on East Second street.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Emerson will
leave tomorrow morning for an ex-
tended visit in Boston and the New
England States.

—Lloyd Burger, Jacob Kline and Ja-
cob Elbright of Palmyra started this
morning for a visit at Catawissa, Co-
lumbia county, Pa.

—All candidates for admission to the
High school will meet at the high
school building tomorrow (Saturday)
afternoon at half-past one o'clock.

—The two hacks which A. I. Gage
had at the Mt. Carroll fair returned
last evening, having done a good busi-
ness. Next week the Morrison fair
will receive attention.

—The first hunters to report from
the fields early this morning were Bert
Woodford and Jonas Stultz. They saw
five prairie chickens and brought home
four. The fifth they killed but lost.

—The old settlers' reunion and pic-
nic of Ogle county, held at Byron this
week was largely attended, and was
addressed by Judge James H. Cart-
wright. The meeting next year will
be held in Rochelle.

—Fred Goble of Pawpaw will sail
from San Francisco about September
10 for Manila with the 30th Illinois
Regiment which is now at Ft. Sheri-
dan preparing for the trip.

—The boys who went to camp at
White Rock last Tuesday returned last
evening. Their stay was cut short by
impure drinking water. It is fortun-
ate they returned before serious harm
resulted from the water they drank.

—"Never fall in love with a girl who
is absent minded and is devoted to
clubs."
"Why not?"
"I proposed to such a girl once. She
called in the whole family and moved
me a vote of thanks."—Chicago Rec-
ord.

—Yesterday afternoon occurred the
funeral of Glennie Bemis, son of Mr.
and Mrs. George Bemis, residing near
Lighthouse, Ogle county. The lad
died Tuesday from the effects of a kick
received from a horse the Sunday even-
ing previous. He was struck in the
groin by the horse as he was leading it
to water, and the blow resulted in per-
itonitis and caused his death.

—We are requested to state that the
guilty parties who recently stole the
white geranium plant and flower slips
from the grave of Robert Stoudt in the
cemetery at Nachusa, are known, and
if the plant is returned nothing more
will be said about it. Among the
meanest of mean actions that a human
being can commit is to steal from the
resting place of the dead the tokens of
affection placed there by the hands of
bereaved and heart-stricken friends.
If there is any spot on earth that
should be sacred from the pilfering
hands of the sneak thief, it is the spot
where rests all that is mortal of our
loved ones.

August Weather.
During the month just finished the
mean temperature was 75.8, against
69.6 in 1898. The maximum was 99,
five degrees higher than last year in
the same month. The minimum was
53. Rainfall 1.83 against 6.39 in Aug-
ust last year.

A New Excuse.
"Henry, this is scandalous!"
"What's the matter, m' dear?"
"Oh, there's no use talking to you.
Don't you know you're in a dreadful
condition?"
"Who said so, m' dear?"
"I say so. Why, you won't be able
to get your hat on tomorrow."
"An' do you know why, m' dear?"
"Yes, I know why."
"Th-then you know about kissin'
bugs?"
"Kissin' bug! What about the kiss-
ing bug?"
"Kissin' bug bit me on th' brow an'
poor ol' head swelled twice its nashral
size. Look at it, m' dear."
"You go to bed!"—Cleveland Plain-
Dealer.

**A Little Light on the Dark Condition
of Things.**

The failure of the electric street
lights last night was occasioned by a
lack of power to drive the dynamos,
and this was caused by the breaking of
a cross-head, rendering one of the en-
gines inoperative. It will take some
time to repair the damage; but if the
water in the river continues to rise so
that the water power can be utilized,
the inconvenience will be but tempo-
rary.

A Hermit Dying.

John Wind, the hermit who lives on
Myer's Island, has been sick unto
death for several days and Ike Barr
says that the poor man will not live
tho' the week. He has been a lone
fisherman along the river for several
years, often spending the winter in a
tent alone. He does not take good care
of himself and is probably starved to
death.

Alternative Hypotheses.

"I love you," he whispered.
Ernestine trembled and regarded
him perplexedly.
"Do my ears deceive me?" she asked
herself. "Or does my complexion de-
ceive him?"
For it was her misfortune to lack
confidence in herself.—Detroit Jour-
nal.

To License Women Cyclists.

The city council of Kenosha, Wis.,
is to be called upon to take official ac-
tion upon the ordinance presented by
Attorney Walter M. Cowell prohib-
iting women from riding bicycles with-
out being regularly licensed. He has
secured the support of several alder-
men.

The ordinance provides that it shall
be unlawful for any woman to ride a
wheel in Kenosha without having first
obtained a license from the city clerk.
Before such a license can be given the
applicant must be examined by a
board of three experts as to her ability
to ride without endangering the safety
and personal rights of others riders.
If her riding is approved by the board
she must file a \$100 bond to cover all
damages caused by her carelessness in
riding. Mr. Cowell claims to have
data showing that four-fifths of all bi-
cycle accidents in Kenosha in the last
few years were due to carelessness on
the part of women riders.

They must have a wabbly lot of girls
in Kenosha. Our Dixon girls are the
most careful and the best riders.

Short on Prominent Citizens.

"Who are your most prominent citi-
zens here?" inquired a northern visitor
in a southern hamlet.
"We ain't got no prominent citi-
zens," replied a native of the place.
"Haven't you got any?"
"None. We ain't never lynched no-
body here yet."—Ohio State Journal.

Inharmonious.

"No, we couldn't agree," sighed the
man. "I said I wasn't worthy of her,
and she said I was. For the sake of
harmony I yielded my opinion and said
I was worthy of her, and she, not to
be outdone in generosity, I suppose,
yielded her opinion and said I wasn't."
—Detroit Journal.

Behind the Scenes.

Rowland Rantt—Ye gods! I hear
the cry of rats!
Roxey—Then don't go on yet. Wait
for the sequel.
Rowland Rantt—The sequel? What
might that be, me lord?
Roxey—The cat calls, of course.

Her Way.

Hicks—Does your wife ever ask you
for money?
Wicks—Never.
Hicks—She must be a wonder.
Wicks—But she frequently tells me
to give her some.—Boston Transcript.

These Lovely Girls.

Maud—Did George kiss you last
night when he left?
Ethel—Certainly he did not. Why do
you ask?
Maud—Nothing, only he just told me
he liked your cheek.—Harlem Life.

Shocking.

"I wish to see some of the current
magazines, please."
"Current magazines? Certainly.
John, show this lady the 'Electric
Spark and the Storage Battery.'"

OUT OF COMMISSIONS

Illinois' Quota of Officers in the
Volunteer Army Is
Filled.

NO USE OF ANY ONE APPLYING.

Gov. Tanner Has No More to Recommend
—Last Review for the Year at Camp
Lincoln—State Executive Present and
10,000 Others—Negro Laborers To Be
Sent South—Three Danville Men Killed
in a Train Disaster.

Springfield, Ills., Sept. 1.—Governor
Tanner's office is daily besieged by per-
sons wishing the governor to recom-
mend them to the war department for
appointments in the volunteer army
now being raised. In addition to the
numbers who appear in person each
mail brings in scores of communica-
tions relative to the same matter. The
governor is powerless to make further
recommendations than those already
made. The telegram from the secre-
tary of war asking that the executive
make certain recommendations for ap-
pointment in the regiments now being
formed limited each volunteer reg-
iment that was accepted in the Spanish-
American war to two officers.

Last Review at Camp Lincoln.
These recommendations were made
by Governor Tanner a few days ago,
and some of the men recommended
have already been appointed. The ex-
ecutive says he can do nothing more
at this time. The last review of the pre-
sent encampment of the Illinois Na-
tional Guard took place yesterday at
Camp Lincoln, and was witnessed by
over 10,000 people. Governor Tanner
and his staff arrived at camp at 4 p.
m. and were greeted with a salute of
seventeen guns. The governor then re-
viewed the First cavalry, the Eighth
battalion (colored), batteries A and B
and the engineer and signal corps.
Each of the divisions of the service
then gave evolutions, including a
charge by the cavalry and some rough
riding, and a balloon ascension by the
signal corps. Corporal Rosario Bonan-
signa, a veteran of the Spanish war,
making the ascension and descending
by means of a parachute.

Given Dishonorable Discharges.
Six members of the First Illinois
cavalry who did not come to camp with
the regiment, and who had seen fit to
ignore a summons issued by Colonel
Young to either report for duty or send
excuses for their absence, have been
given dishonorable discharges from
the state service. They were Privates
Edward Pressley, troop A, and to Her-
man Stuart, Edward N. Smith, Stanley
S. Smith, William Dallas and George
Cruckshank, troop F, all of Chicago.

WILL BE SHIPPED SOUTH.

**Negro Laborers Who Have Been Much
Trouble to the Town.**

Rockford, Ills., Sept. 1.—Mayor
Brown and Chief of Police Bergen have
been at Chicago arranging for trans-
portation to the south of the big gang
of negroes who came here to work
with a railroad ballasting crew and has
been on the city's hands for sev-
eral days. The coroner's jury will re-
sume the investigation into the deaths
of Miles Lee and George Woodward, the
negroes who were killed. No new evi-
dence has developed, but Drs. Richings
and Allaben, who attended them, say
that from the nature of their wounds,
all of which were about the head, it is
hardly possible that they were killed
by a train.

The dead men were buried in the
potter's field by the coroner. Foreman
Fortner, of the ballasting gang, denies
that the colored workmen have been
mistreated at his camp. He says that
the negroes have been receiving \$1.25
per day, but that many of them came
north for the trip and now refuse to
work. He would gladly employ them,
for he needs help.

Killed His Man with a Hammer.
Whitehall, Ills., Sept. 1.—Shortly after
noon Wednesday a robber murdered
A. J. Allen, engineer employed at the
Burlington reservoir, two and one-half
miles north of this city, and secured
what money he had on his person. It
was evident that Allen was in the act
of scooping coal into the furnace when
pounced upon by the robber, who
struck him on the top of the head with
a coal hammer, fracturing the skull,
and making his escape.

Settled an Official Dispute.
Springfield, Ills., Sept. 1.—Captain
May, chief of police of Taylorville ap-
pointed by Mayor W. E. Peabody, who
has been declared by the judge of the
circuit court to be not elected, and
which case is pending an appeal to the
supreme court, yesterday tendered his
resignation, as the city council has re-
fused to confirm his appointment and
he has served several months without
pay, the council refusing to vote him
pay.

Insane Stranger Identified.

Mount Vernon, Ills., Sept. 1.—A
stranger who was recently arrested
for insanity, and who had been held
on the same charge by the authori-
ties of various towns throughout
southern Illinois, has been identified as
John B. Leoni, an Italian sculptor, and
has been sent to the insane asylum at
Jacksonville. Leoni made much of the
heroic statue for the World's fair.

Three Killed on the Rail.

Danville, Ills., Sept. 1.—Yesterday
morning at 2 o'clock a south-bound
freight on the C. and E. I. struck some
box cars standing on the main track at
Rossville, and wrecked the engine and
a number of cars. Engineer Tilton,
Fireman Hollis and Air Inspector Kel-
logg (who was on the engine) were
crushed beyond recognition. The three
men resided in this city.

Her Broach Saved Her Life.

Lebanon, Ills., Sept. 1.—Joseph Field,
a young coal miner, whose parents re-
side at Mount Vernon, with a razor at-
tempted the life of Mary Aglea, a
sweetheart who had jilted him, and
then cut his own throat. A heavy col-
lar and a broach which fastened it
saved the girl, whose wound will not
prove fatal.

The International Law association
has followed the American Bar asso-
ciation in annual session at Buffalo.

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QUESTION OF TREASON

Nearly Results in Assault on Murat Hal-
stead and a General Fight.

Cincinnati, Sept. 1.—Murat Halstead
lectured last night by invitation before
the Economic club, which meets in the
Vine Street Congregational church.
The audience was miscellaneous in ad-
dition to the members of the club,
which is largely anti-imperialistic.
Halstead's subject was the Philippines.
After the lecture Halstead was plying
with questions. One of the questioners
with a decided sympathy for Agui-
aldo, after his question had been an-
swered remarked: "I hope Otis will be
kept in, and will keep on blundering
till he and the whole army are driven
into the sea or captured."

Halstead said: "A man with those
sentiments is a traitor to his country."
Several men jumped up and remarked:
"Two-thirds of this audience think
that way."

Halstead replied: "Whoever thinks
that way is a traitor." Then there was
a rush down the hall with raised fists
toward Halstead, but a great number of
men stepped in between him and those
who were rushing at him.

There was a great noise and uproar,
which disclosed the fact that the audi-
ence was composed of men on both
sides of that question. Halstead was
quietly led out of the church by a side
door and taken home.

Largest Lake Steamer Launched.

Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 1.—What is said
to be the largest packet freight carrier
on the lakes was launched at the yards
of the Union Dry Dock company yester-
day afternoon. The new boat, to be
called the Buffalo, is 403½ feet long,
55 feet beam and 25 feet deep. She is
constructed to carry 5,700 net tons of
freight on 17½ feet of water. The
Buffalo was built for the Western
Transit company at a cost of \$350,000.

If Goebel and Owens Should Meet.

Lexington, Ky., Sept. 1.—In the stead
of Hon. Matt Adams, who was ill, Hon.
W. C. Owens, ex-representative from
the Seventh district, opened the cam-
paign here last night. His address
was tart, defiant, and in some instances
bitterly personal toward Goebel. The
speech created a sensation here and
some fear it may lead to personal trou-
ble.

Struck Over a Powder Question.

Brazil, Ind., Sept. 1.—The 300 miners
in the Diamond mine of the Keeler
Coal company went on strike yester-
day. They claimed that the company
would not allow them to use powder
purchased of any other store than that
of the company. The miners contended
that they can save 50 cents on each
keg of powder.

Another Brush with the Rebels.

Manila, Sept. 1.—News from Cebu is
that a force of United States troops
under Colonel Bayliss raided a band of
natives, which was entrenched in the
hills, and drove them out and away.
No loss on our side. This band recently
ambushed four of our soldiers.

Going to Talk Samoa with Hay.

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 1.—Chief Justice
William L. Chambers, of Samoa, ar-
rived here yesterday en route to Wash-
ington to discuss the affairs of the is-
land with Secretary Hay. He has been
at his home in Alabama for several
weeks.

President's Secretary Returns.

Washington, Sept. 1.—Hon. John Ad-
dison Porter, secretary to the president,
has returned to the city after an ab-
sence of some months.

THE MARKETS

Chicago Grain and Produce.

Chicago, Aug. 31.
Following were the quotations on the
Chicago Board of Trade today:
Wheat—Open. High. Low. Close.
September ... \$.70 3/4 .70 3/4 .69 3/4 .69 3/4
December 72 1/4 .72 1/4 .71 3/4 .71 3/4
May 75 3/4 .75 3/4 .74 3/4 .74 3/4
Corn—
September 30 3/4 .30 3/4 .30 3/4 .30 3/4
December 28 3/4 .28 3/4 .28 3/4 .28 3/4
May 29 3/4 .29 3/4 .29 3/4 .29 3/4
Oats—
September 20 .20 1/4 .19 3/4 .19 3/4
December 19 3/4 .19 3/4 .19 3/4 .19 3/4
May 21 1/4 .21 1/4 .21 1/4 .21 1/4
Pork—
September ... 8.15 8.17 1/2 8.10 8.12 1/2
October ... 8.25 8.27 1/2 8.22 1/2 8.25
January ... 9.57 1/2 9.57 1/2 9.50 9.52 1/2
Lard—
September ... 5.17 1/2 5.20 5.15 5.20
October ... 5.25 5.27 1/2 5.22 1/2 5.25
January ... 5.40 5.45 5.40 5.42 1/2
Short ribs—
September ... 5.15 5.17 1/2 5.12 1/2 5.15
October ... 5.22 1/2 5.25 5.20 5.22 1/2
January ... 4.97 1/2 5.00 4.97 1/2 4.97 1/2
Produce: Butter—Extra creameries,
20c per lb; extra dairies, 17c; fresh
packing stock, 13c. Eggs—Fresh stock,
12 1/2 @ 13c per doz. Live poultry—Tur-
keys, 8 @ 10c per lb; chickens, 5 @ 6c;
spring chickens, 7 @ 8c; geese, 12 @ 15c;
\$3.50 @ 5.00 per dozen. Potatoes—Pair to
choice, 27 @ 30c per bu. New Apples—
\$1.00 @ 2.50 per bbl.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Aug. 31.

Hogs—Estimated receipts for the day,
23,000. Sales ranged at \$3.40 @ 4.50 for
pigs, \$4.30 @ 4.70 for light, \$3.95 @ 4.15 for
rough packing, \$4.25 @ 4.65 for mixed and
\$4.20 @ 4.60 for heavy packing and ship-
ping lots.
Cattle—Estimated receipts for the
day, 5,500. Quotations ranged at \$6.30 for
6.65 choice to extra steers, \$5.65 @ 6.20
good to choice do., \$4.90 @ 5.50 for fair
to good, \$4.45 @ 4.85 common to medium
do., \$4.20 @ 4.50 butcher's steers, \$3.25 @ 4.80
feeders, \$2.25 @ 4.30 cows, \$3.00 @ 5.00
helfers, \$2.80 @ 4.50 bulls and oxen, \$3.75
@ 4.65 stags, \$3.40 @ 4.75 Texas steers, and
\$4.50 @ 7.25 real calves.
Sheep—Estimated receipts for the
day, 10,000. Quotations ranged at \$3.40
@ 4.20 western, \$2.75 @ 4.60 natives and
\$3.50 @ 6.10 lambs.

Milwaukee Grain.

Milwaukee, Aug. 31.
Wheat—Lower: No. 1 northern, 71 1/2 @
72c; No. 2 northern, new, 69 1/2c. Oats—
Steady: 22 1/2 @ 23 1/2c. Rye—Steady: No.
1, 56 1/2c. Barley—Firm: No. 2, 43c; sam-
ple, 36 1/2 @ 41c.

IT'S IMPOSSIBLE

To Disprove Facts—It is Decidedly
Easy to Verify Dixon Opinion.

Nothing by way of an introduction
could be added to the experiences and
opinions given below, which could in-
crease their value. Dixon people can
safely be left to draw their own con-
clusions based on such convincing
proofs as this citizen offers. What is
there lacking in evidence like this to
satisfy a dyed-in-the-wool doubting
Thomas?

Mr. P. H. Kelly of 123 East Third
street, says: "I had a good deal of
trouble from the lack of proper action
of the kidneys. There were times
when moving about was the only
way I was free from pain, and as
long as I could keep going I was all
right. After a hard day's work if I sat
down the pains started, I could not find
a comfortable position; neither could I
rest after I retired. I used one remedy
after another, but none of them gave
me more than temporary relief. Hear-
ing about Doan's Kidney Pills I called
at Horton's Drug Store, procured a
box, and before I had finished it the
pains in my back were ended."

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all
dealers; price 50 cents a box. Mailed
on receipt of price by Foster-Milburn
Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the
U. S.

Remember the name—Doan's—and
take no other.

There is always hope while there's
One Minute Cough Cure. "An attack
of pneumonia left my lungs in bad
shape and I was near the first stages of
consumption. One Minute Cough Cure
completely cured me," writes Helen
McHenry, Bismark, N. D. Gives in-
stant relief. Rowland Bros.

Shake Into Your Shoes

Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the
feet. It cures painful, swollen, smart-
ing, nervous feet, and instantly takes
the sting out of corns and bunions. It's
the greatest comfort discovery of the
age. Allen's Foot-Ease makes tight or
new shoes feel easy. It is a certain
cure for sweating, callous and hot,
tired, aching feet. Try it today. Sold
by all druggists and shoe stores. By
mail for 25 c. in stamps. Trial pack-
age FREE. Address, Allen S. Olm-
sted, LeRoy, N. Y.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is a scientific
compound having the endorsement of
eminent physicians and the medical
press. It "digests what you eat" and
positively cures dyspepsia. M. A. Ket-
ron, Bloomingdale, Tenn., says it cured
him of indigestion of ten years' stand-
ing. Rowland Bros.

Drink Grain-O.

after you have concluded that you
ought not to drink coffee. It is not a
medicine but doctors order it, because
it is healthful, invigorating and ap-
petizing. It is made from pure grains
and has that rich seal brown color and
tastes like the finest grades of coffee
and costs about 1/2 as much. Children
like it and thrive on it because it is a
genuine food drink containing nothing
but nourishment. Ask your grocer for
Grain-O, the new food drink. 15 and
25c.

"I suffered with piles eleven years
before using DeWitt's Witch Hazel
Salve; now my health is fully restored.
—I feel like a new born man"—Conrad
Stange, Pierz, Minn. A soothing,
healing preparation of standard merit;
beware of counterfeits. Rowland Bros.

Approved by Time.

It is now thirty years since the won-
derful curative powers of Bethesda
Mineral Spring Water were discovered.
Thousands have visited the Springs
at Waukesha, Wisconsin, and hundreds
of thousands of sufferers from kidney
troubles have been relieved and cured
by using the water in their own homes.
Sold in sealed half-gallon bottles by all
first-class druggists. A. M. Jones,
President, Bethesda Mineral Spring
Co., Waukesha, Wis.

WAR IS NOT IMMINENT

Hostilities Between the British and the Boers Seem Postponed Indefinitely.

NEW CONFERENCE NOW PROPOSED.

Kruger to Go to Cape Town and Talk to Commissioner Milner.

Which He Probably Will Not Do, but May Venture Inside of Cape Colony—Latest Phase of the Situation—Dominican Revolution Is Practically Over—Figuero, Finding the Dominican Presidential Chair an Uneasy Seat, Resigns, and Jimenez Will Try It Awhile.

Pretoria, Sept. 1.—The Transvaal's note to Great Britain, offering the five-year franchise and the other concessions, was strongly worded and explained that the concessions were made with a sincere desire fully to settle all differences, and to put an end to strained relations, and to avert a disastrous war. Therefore, a prompt answer was requested. The note of Conyngham Greene in reply was conciliatory and tantamount to an acceptance of the five-year offer. It agreed to waive the suggested commission of inquiry, provided a representative, to be appointed by Sir Alfred Milner, should be given facilities in Pretoria to make an investigation of the franchise question, and provided the report of such representative should prove satisfactory. Otherwise the Transvaal government was requested to await further suggestions from the imperial government before submitting new proposals to the volksraad. Greene's note in conclusion suggested a further conference at Cape Town.

Road Hears the Correspondence. President Kruger yesterday announced to the volksraad that he had received a telegram from the governor of Mozambique saying the detained ammunition would be forwarded immediately. The entire correspondence between the imperial and Transvaal governments was read in open session, and President Kruger asked the raad to meet secretly last night for the purpose of considering a reply. President Kruger also claimed that in the convention of 1851 the suzerainty of Great Britain was distinctly stated. But, he added, there was no mention of it in the convention of 1884. He denied that the government had excluded the British from political rights.

Kruger Not Likely to Go So Far. London, Sept. 1.—The Pretoria correspondent of The Daily Chronicle says: President Kruger is not likely to agree to confer with Sir Alfred Milner at Cape Town, but he might go to Colesburg, just within the borders of the Cape Colony.

Cape Dutch Might Rebel. The Daily Chronicle publishes the following dispatch from Cape Town: "It is rumored here that Sir Alfred Milner, governor of the Cape Colony, contemplates dismissing the Schreiner ministry under his special powers. If he does it is feared that a rebellion will break out, as the Dutch would believe that Great Britain is again forcing Cecil Rhodes to the front."

COMES DOWN OFF HIS PERCH. Figuero Does Not Want to Succeed Huancax—Jimenez En Route.

Puerto Plata, Sept. 1.—President Figuero yielded his executive authority to his council of ministers at 12 noon yesterday. Official notice of the change in administration has been received from the capital by General Imbert, who is the provisional governor of this city by direction of the revolutionary committee. With the fall of Figuero the revolution is victorious. Jimenez has not arrived on the island, but is en route. The cabinet under Figuero will continue in office until a government of a stable character is established.

Santiago de Cuba, Sept. 1.—General Juan Isidro Jimenez, the revolutionary aspirant to the presidency of Santo Domingo, will leave Santiago de Cuba today on a specially chartered steamer, the George Croise, General Wood, the military governor, having received instructions from Governor General Brooke to release him from custody unless there are indications that he is promoting a filibustering expedition. Yesterday General Jimenez received numerous dispatches from Santo Domingo announcing the downfall of the old government and urging his speedy arrival. He says the revolution has been practically bloodless, as the people are almost unanimous against the old regime. General Jimenez has issued a long proclamation announcing the reforms he will institute if he is chosen president. The existing laws of Santo Domingo are, he asserts, adequate if properly enforced. All that is needed is honest execution, and he has no doubt of his own immediate accession.

Accidentally Shot Himself. Lena, Wis., Sept. 1.—Frank Coy, a prosperous young farmer at Hixory, accidentally shot himself early yesterday. He heard a commotion among the chickens in the barn, and thinking that some wild animal had gotten in among them, he took his shotgun and went out to investigate. It is not known how it happened, but his wife heard the report of the gun and found her husband dead in the yard. They had been married only two months.

Both Agree on Bryan. Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 1.—United States Senator Morgan, who declared some time ago against Bryan's renomination, and John W. Tomlinson, Bryan's lieutenant in this state, spoke at Mapleville, Ala., yesterday, the former for and the latter against expansion, but Morgan said in his speech that Bryan was the only logical nominee of the Democratic party in 1900.

Death of Ex-Gov. Merrill, of Iowa. Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 1.—Ex-Governor Samuel Merrill, of Iowa, died last evening at the age of 73 years. About a week ago Governor Merrill suffered a stroke of paralysis and but little hope of his recovery was entertained. He was injured severely in an electric accident several months ago and he never entirely recovered from the shock.

DID DREYFUS CONFESS?

Question That Is Brought Up Sharply at the Court Martial.

Rennes, Sept. 1.—When the court martial trial of Captain Dreyfus was resumed this morning Major Dubreuil took the stand. On Aug. 23 the cross-examination of Dubreuil reflected severely on his reputation, and today he produced documents to show that he was an honorable man. A witness named Germain then deposed to seeing Dreyfus at the German maneuvers in Alsace.

Rennes, Sept. 1.—"What did Dreyfus say to Captain Lebrun-Renault the morning he was degraded?" is the question that is agitating the disinterested who are following the great trial. Yesterday morning the court martial held a secret session to hear some testimony relating to French artillery of the period about 1894. After the open session was resumed Lebrun-Renault, who had custody of the prisoner on the morning of his degradation, was called and testified that Dreyfus said to him that morning: "I am innocent. In three years they will recognize my innocence. The minister knows it. If I delivered documents to Germany it was to have more important ones in return."

Lebrun-Renault said that Captain d'Attel was in the room at the time and heard it. Several witnesses, including Colonel Guerin, who was in charge of the parade that day, testified that they heard either d'Attel or Lebrun-Renault tell of these words of Dreyfus, and the case was pretty well made out by the prosecution. However, it was shown that Lebrun-Renault, after keeping his notes of what he claimed Dreyfus had said for years, destroyed them the very morning the matter was discussed in the chamber of deputies, and Major Fornizetti, who was governor of the prison in which Dreyfus was kept and where the degradation took place, swore that he never heard of this confession at the time.

Fornizetti also declared that when he did hear that Lebrun-Renault was telling the story of the confession he went to him, and, said Fornizetti, "I seized his arm and cried: 'If the words repeated as yours are true, you are an infamous liar.'"

Dreyfus said there were two rooms in which he was held in custody on the morning of his degradation; that he could almost swear no one except Lebrun-Renault entered the one (Dreyfus) was in, and that he never said the last sentence ascribed to him by Lebrun-Renault.

YELLOW FEVER AT KEY WEST

Three Cases Officially Declared to Exist, Two of Them Fatal.

New York, Sept. 1.—A special to The Herald from Key West, Fla., says: The state board of health, through its local representative, Dr. Sweeting, yesterday officially declared the existence of yellow fever at Key West. Two persons are pronounced to be suffering from the disease. They are Dennis L. Eagan, an attaché of the custom house, and William M. Browder, special agent of the treasury department. A boy named Cosgrove died during Wednesday night. Eagan is not expected to survive.

Several other persons are now down with fever which exhibits symptoms similar to those cases already pronounced to be yellow fever. Considerable excitement exists throughout the city among the unacclimated, who are preparing for a hurried departure. Every precaution is being taken by the authorities to prevent the spread of the disease.

PRESIDENT MCKINLEY AT HOME.

Old Friends and Neighbors Keep Him Pretty Busy with Things.

Canton, O., Sept. 1.—President McKinley's brief visit to this, his home, for the purpose of rest and quiet, is marked with almost constant calls and informal visits from his old neighbors and friends, and it cannot be said that he is finding a marked degree of quiet. But he seems to be thoroughly enjoying the little chats with his old friends.

Aside from a trip to the cemetery yesterday with Mrs. McKinley, where they laid fresh flowers on the graves of departed relatives and a little detour about the city which followed, the president remained practically all day at the Barber residence. There was a flood of telegrams and a large volume of mail matter delivered to him there.

Air-Tight Glass Company Is Off.

Pittsburg, Sept. 1.—Organization of the National Glass company, as a practically air-tight combine of the glass table ware manufacturers of the country, is off. This was decided at a meeting yesterday. The hitch was caused by the demand of the United States Glass company that the National Glass company provide cash to the amount of \$1,100,000 to cover the preferred stock and accumulated dividends issued by the United States Glass company.

Scores on the Ball Field.

Chicago, Sept. 1.—Following are yesterday's League ball scores: At Brooklyn—Cleveland 3, Brooklyn 9; at Pittsburg—New York 7, Pittsburg 8; at St. Louis—Baltimore 3, St. Louis 5; at Cincinnati—Philadelphia 9, Cincinnati 2; at Louisville—Washington 7, Louisville 6; at Chicago—Boston 2, Chicago 5.

Western League: At Kansas City—Grand Rapids 9, Kansas City 8.

Senator Beveridge Preserves His Silence.

Chicago, Sept. 1.—Senator Albert J. Beveridge, of Indiana, is in Chicago on his way to his Indianapolis home from his trip to the Philippines. He arrived on the steamer Manitou from Mackinac, and consistently preserves a silence as to his eastern opinions which has not been broken publicly since his departure from Manila.

Discussing the Wage Question.

Pittsburg, Sept. 1.—A meeting of Window Glass Manufacturers of the country is in session here for the purpose of discussing the wage question and the general situation. All the factories in the American Glass company and a majority of the independent factories are represented.

Russell Harrison Getting Well.

Havana, Sept. 1.—Major Russell B. Harrison, the inspector general, wires General Lee that he has overcome the yellow fever, adding that he has had the very best nursing and care throughout.

REPORT ON PENSIONS.

Figures and Facts Regarding the Way the Nation Deals with Its Veterans.

LAW IS LIBERAL AND GENEROUS

And Always Construed in Favor of the Applicant. Says the Commissioner—Number of Persons on the Rolls—Sum Paid Them Since 1866—Law Regarding Widows He Wants Modified Because It Invites Fraud—Cause of Delays.

Washington, Sept. 1.—The annual report of Colonel H. Clay Evans, the commissioner of pensions, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1899, presents some very interesting facts in connection with the condition of the pension roll and the operations of the bureau. The pension roll is made up of 753,451 surviving soldiers, 237,415 widows or



H. CLAY EVANS.

dependent relatives, and 653 army nurses. To them last year was paid \$131,617,961, being \$649,496 more than ever before. The average of each class of pensioners is also higher. The cost of bureaus, attorneys' fees, etc., brought the total expended up to \$138,555,052, being \$1,644,948 less than the appropriation. The payments for pensions for the year are classified as follows: General law, \$71,115,703; Spanish war, \$28,606; act of 1890, \$64,321,460. Fees paid to attorneys were \$476,969, against \$730,000 in 1898.

Paid Since 1866, \$2,389,910,974.

The total number of claims filed during the year was 48,765; allowed, 37,077; restored, 3,914; total allowances, including increases, 89,054; total claims pending June 30, 1898, 635,059; June 30, 1899, 477,238. The total disbursements to pensioners since 1866 were \$2,389,910,974. During the same period \$15,490,986 went to examining surgeons, \$12,092,178 to pension agencies and \$52,237,228 for salaries and other expenses of the pension bureau. The number of pensioners residing in foreign countries is 4,366, to whom is paid \$633,309. Of this number 2,139 reside in Canada, 415 in Ireland, 605 in Germany and 321 in England. There are four surviving widows and seven surviving daughters of the revolutionary war on the rolls.

Only One 1812 Pensioner Left.

Hiram Cronk, of northwestern New York, is the only surviving pensioned soldier of the war of 1812. He is 99 years of age. The number of pensioned widows of the war of 1812 is 1,998. On account of the Indian wars 1,658 soldiers and 3,899 widows are pensioned. For service in the Mexican war there are enrolled 9,204 soldiers and 8,179 widows. June 30, 1899, the total number of pensioners was 991,519, being 2,195 less than on the same date in 1898.

Bringing Up the Arrears.

The report says that considerable progress has been made in bringing up the arrears of work in the bureau. The work on original claims is practically current and the work of ordering medical examinations in increase claims is being pushed so that very little time now elapses between dates of filing and ordering the medical examinations. The commissioner reports the work in far better condition than at any time since April, 1897.

EXPLANATIONS AND SUGGESTIONS.

Delay in Adjudication of Claims—A Law That Invites Fraud.

The commissioner calls attention to the fact that the order 225, issued June 9, 1893, which provided for a readjustment of rates of pension previously granted under the operations of order No. 164, is still in force, but he states that no revision of rates under said order has been made under his administration. During the year 107,919 claims of all classes were rejected in the bureau. A careful analysis of the causes of rejection of so many claims is given, showing that a large percentage of rejections occur in claims in which additional allowance of some kind is claimed. A full and detailed explanation as to the causes of delay in the adjudication of claims is presented, from which it appears that in nearly every case of unusual delay the fault lies with claimants or their attorneys, and not with the bureau.

In order that the present complex system of pensioning may be simplified, and to secure a more uniform practice in the future, the appointment of a commission on the revision of the laws, rules and regulations is recommended. The re-enactment of the law requiring biennial examinations of pensioners who have been recently discharged from the service is recommended, there being no way in which the recovery of a pensioner from the pensioned causes can be determined.

The repeal of the act of June 7, 1888, removed all limitations as to date of filing claims by widows. The act of June 7, 1888, the report says, holds out inducements and offers a premium to the vicious to file fraudulent claims carrying large sums as arrears. It is a bad law that encourages crime, and the government has but little opportunity to disprove a carefully prepared fraudulent claim under this law.

Complaints have been made against the bureau for the stoppage of the pensions of those who enlisted or accepted commissions in the war with Spain. These pensions ceased by operation of law, and not by any order or instruction from the bureau. The commissioner expresses his satisfaction with the results for the past year. No new rules of evidence have been introduced in the adjudication of claims, but the work has been accomplished under prescribed rules of many years' standing.

In his conclusion the commissioner states that the pension laws are generous, that their interpretation by the department has always been liberal, and their administration by the bureau officials has been and is now far more liberal than the generous laws—always giving the benefit of doubt in favor of the soldier.

DOES NOT SAY "INDEPENDENCE."

Word That Is Missing Out of the President's Cuban Proclamation.

Havana, Sept. 1.—President McKinley's census proclamation has been received in various ways by the Havana newspapers. La Lucha publishes nothing. La Discusion has only a cartoon representing the effects of the proclamation on the different factions, the party of independence smiling and the party advocating a protectorate assuming a studious air, while the annexationists are sad.

El Diario de la Marina intimates that the proclamation is more significant for what it does not say than for what it says. Commenting upon the absence of the word "Cuba is by right and ought to be free and independent," which were in the proclamation of 1898, El Diario remarks: "The absence is accentuated by the fact that the American newspapers call attention to the substitution of the phrase 'efficient system of government' for the word 'independence.'"

MAY WRECK THE FESTIVAL.

Union Labor Fighting a Non-Union Corner-Stone at Chicago.

Chicago, Sept. 1.—Owing to the fact that the corner-stone of the new post-office has been cut in Waldo, Me., by non-union men, a strike may be called on the structure by the Building Trades Council and the plans of the committee in charge of the autumn festival seriously interfered with.

The labor leaders are firm in their contention that the contractors shall be made to yield to the workmen's demands that the granite shall be cut by organized labor. Furthermore, the leaders declare, unless the matter is adjusted to their satisfaction all labor organizations will refuse to participate in the fall festival, and the bands belonging to the Federation of Labor will refuse to take part in the celebration.

Volunteers Await Muster-Out.

San Francisco, Sept. 1.—At 9 a. m. yesterday the 1,388 officers and men of the Idaho, First North Dakota and First Wyoming regiments of volunteer infantry and a battalion of the Wyoming Light artillery, who arrived Wednesday from Manila, disembarked from the transport Grant and marched in triumphant procession through the city to the Presidio, where they will remain in camp until mustered out of the service.

Has an Escort of Fair Amazons.

New York, Sept. 1.—Mrs. Alexander Giddings, of Cleveland, has written to the Dewey reception executive committee as commander of the "White Escort," of Cleveland, asking for a place in the line during the parade. She describes her command as consisting of "124 young ladies all dressed in pure white and carrying bright silk flags."

Democratic Standing Committees.

St. Louis, Sept. 1.—Vice Chairman Stone, of the national Democratic committee, announces the appointment of standing committees. The most significant thing in the appointments is the fact that McLean is placed at the head of the ways and means committee, and that Altgeld, Allen and Teller are retired by request.

No Others Need Apply.

Washington, Sept. 1.—Adjutant General Corbin said yesterday that there were less than 100 appointments of volunteer officers yet to be made, and they belonged mainly to the state of Wisconsin, California and Ohio. The quotas of the other states are practically full.

ABBREVIATED TELEGRAMS.

The reported death of Frank C. Ives, the billiard player, at Progresso, Mex., has been confirmed.

John Hannick, of the town of Center, near Janesville, Wis., a well-known farmer, was sunstruck and died in two hours.

It is now rumored that Dan Coughlin, alleged Chicago jury briber, is in Argentina, South America, with his brother.

The dead body of John Zach was found hanging in an empty box car at Hawthorne (Chicago suburb). Verdict, suicide.

W. S. Smalley, a drug clerk, was struck by an engine on the Panhandle tracks at Chicago and died on the way to a hospital.

The executive council of the International Typographical union has voted \$10,000 to assist the striking printers on the New York Sun.

Henry Noll, a machinist's helper, had an arm torn from its socket in the works of the A. H. Barber Manufacturing company at Chicago.

It is rumored that the Wisconsin Central Railway company may build a second electric line between Eau Claire and Chippewa Falls.

Two infants of Mrs. J. C. Ogden, of Chicago, rolled in a perambulator into the pond in Douglas park. They were fished out, damp but unhurt.

William H. Condon, a veteran admiralty lawyer, who applied for admission to the Chicago poorhouse last week as pauper, is missing.

The secret service has discovered a new counterfeit \$2 treasury note of the series of 1891, check letter D; Bruce register; Roberts, treasurer; portrait, McPherson.

Theodore Schultz, a young man driving a load of hay near Brackett, Wis., was killed by lightning, which also killed both of his horses and set the load of hay on fire.

Professor F. R. Jones, of the engineering department at the Wisconsin university, has resigned to accept a similar position in the School of Technology at Worcester, Mass.

Lieutenant Maceo, son of the dead Cuban general, was refused admission to a public dining room in a Spokane hotel on account of his color, when he threatened to kill the waiter and was arrested and fined in a police court.

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HON. R. R. HITT'S ADDRESS.
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glamour of distance. But there were privations which the younger generation know nothing of, and never can know, for they can never be encountered.

These men and women, now fast passing away, foresaw what was coming after them. They builded not better than they knew; but they builded well because they knew. They builded the homes where the hallowing influence of the mother was first felt; then they builded the schoolhouses, where were laid the foundations of a broad intellectual culture; then the churches, where the soul was fitted for the spiritual conflicts of life. The home surroundings and zealous teaching of pioneer mothers and pioneer fathers built up a community and a moral government that is grandly better for their part in it. Those days generated strong men and sensible women. In just such surroundings were reared such men as Lincoln and Garfield. Men and women then were truly more than all else, and character counted for more than accomplishments. The men of those times it was who gave caste and character to the future and generated a national conscience that has made us respected by all the people of the earth. No man saw further into the future than did those who communed with nature and took counsel of God. And so were laid the foundations of the material, moral and social improvements that have followed and made this section and all sections of our nation what it is today.

As a nation we are proud of the result of the Mexican war; but I do not think we are very proud of the causes of that war. It was organized in the interest of villainy, to wrest from a neighboring nation a large section of its soil to be converted into states for the further extension of our iniquitous institution of slavery. How different the recent war, assumed with all its responsibilities and its horrors, for the sake of humanity—for the emancipation of a people oppressed beyond endurance.

The first act of our government in Cuba was to relieve the distress of its starving people out of the abundance of our treasury. Our government does not need to point to its professions—its acts speak for it. The Chinese plenipotentiary at Washington said that ours is the only nation which has kept its word with China; the only nation which has not come among his nation to steal and defraud.

Unselfishness during the Maximilian fiasco in Mexico was such as to win the regard of that nation which has since copied us so far as possible in its development. I am proud of a country, said the speaker, that has philanthropic motives, and despise the man who can vilify his government. Our course in the Venezuelan arbitration was briefly touched upon and left with the remark: a people brave and strong enough to do the right is a people I can honor. The situation in the Philippines was then taken up, and an explanation given why we could not bring things to a speedy termination early in the war while the men who are now sympathizing with the murderous Aguinaldo were thirsting for gore. Our hands were then bound by the protocol, and we could not by its terms, increase our military force. The president's appeal to congress to ratify the treaty of peace with Spain hung fire though the obstructive action of these same men, until our small force was attracted by the would be dictator of Luzon. Our soldiers there did their duty better than those who staid at home and scolded, as did the growlers of '63.

The different state of affairs in Porto Rico and Luzon was explained. In the one place we had plenty of troops to command and enforce respect for our flag; in the other we had not. No consent of the governed was asked in either case. No consent of the governed was ever asked or ever will be asked of an uncivilized race. No man has a right to self government except the man with sense enough to govern himself. This people have proved its ability to put down rebellion; proved it in the early days, when they disposed of the Driscoll family for murdering a sheriff; proved it later in the great conflict which tore to shreds the hearts in many a home surrounding this very spot.

But now our country is in a fair way to get along. It is having a sort of 16 to 1 good time; sixteen jobs are chasing one man; they want him for work. Macaulay was mistaken when he said that when our lands were all occupied we should be confronted with the labor

questions which rack the more thickly countries of Europe, and the result would prove the weakness of our theory of self government. Our lands are all settled up, and during the Pullman strikes we were subjected to the same experience that periodically visits all parts of Europe; but the appearance of that flag by which the rebellion of the South was put down was sufficient assurance of strength to put down all minor disturbances and the angry waves of anarchy subsided and disappeared in the great surging sea of humanity, whose peaceful onward progress nothing can stay, but whose destructive forces are impotent of harm.

Mr. Hitt's speech, (here so imperfectly sketched), received frequent and hearty applause. The people were somewhat disappointed at not hearing Hon. H. D. Dement, from whom a dispatch was received stating that he had unfortunately missed his train.

Godfred Theiss, recently returned from the Pacific slope, and several other early settlers spoke briefly on invitation from the president, and the meeting closed amid great enthusiasm and was pronounced one of the best old settlers' reunions ever held in Lee county.

OLD SETTLER NOTES.

Henry D. Dement missed train connections and did not reach the picnic as contemplated.

James Crombie was there, but the Pawaw man who kicked because Jim in a trade put a kicking horse upon him kicks no more.

Warren Badger managed the meeting and arranged the speakers in fine shape. He has executive ability.

Henry Adams is an efficient Secretary and not only keeps the record, but has it in good shape.

Darius M. Sawyer, a jurymen of the first jury impaneled in Lee county, tells how he deliberated on a log under a tree near the old schoolhouse, improvised for holding court, is still ready to play croquet.

Ira Brewer and wife, who have moved down to Amboy from Bradford, were smiling on old neighbors.

Chet Badger was there full of his jokes as ever. He still insists that it is strange a topographical survey should indicate that Amboy in altitude should be too high for the Hennepin canal and too low for a county seat.

Fred Theiss was making it comfortable for everybody and making himself generally useful.

Dr. Sleeper was wide-awake and chipper and talkative as he was forty years ago, and on the same old subject—money. The Doctor still wants free silver, forgetting that people should work for shekels.

The president, Wm. R. Long, does not permit business to drag where he presides.

But alas! There were many old settlers absent whose faces were familiar at such picnics not many years ago. Let's see. We did not meet Henry E. Badger, Fred Dutcher, John C. Church, Lewis Clap, L. T. Weiman, John C. Jacobs, Volney Bliss, Asa Searls, H. E. Lewis, R. H. Mellen, of that vicinity. From Mulgins there came not Samuel Carnahan, Evens Adrian, A. V. Christence, S. Argraves and others. From Sublette Daniel Baird, Silas D. Reniff, Thos. S. Angier, C. F. Ingalls, Crawford, Peterson, Dexter and others were absent. Then there was Dixon, Franklin, Palmyra, Paw Paw with historical names in the list of oldsettlers, but the roll we will not call.

NEW MAIL CARRIER.

Growth of West Dixon Demands Increase in Carrier Service.

The population and amount of mail handled in the Third Ward has doubled since the free delivery service was inaugurated, and while the work of Carrier Herbert Morris has been highly satisfactory it has for a long time been impossible for him to make more than one delivery a day in the outlying sections of his district. For some time a change has been in contemplation and this morning the district was divided, making two deliveries a day possible. The new carrier appointed is Burt O. Boothby and his district will be all south of Third street between the Illinois Central track switch track and the switch track in West Dixon.

At the Ring Side.

Dubuque, Iowa, Aug. 31.—Tommy Ryan of Syracuse and Jack Moffatt of Chicago weighed in below the 152 pound limit here today for the last wind-up of Dubuque's fistic carnival. Moffatt weighed 150½ pounds. Farmer Burns merely put the scales at 152, and Ryan jumping on failed to raise it. He doubtless weighed close to 151 Kerwin and Sellers fought at catch weights.

The winners were Tommy Ryan and George Kerwin. Sellers quit at the end of the seventh round.

—Misses Nettie Gonnerman and Cecile Heckman, two south side graduates are taking lessons in cooking and have entertained a few friends with some of their productions. This is a wise plan as good domestics are becoming scarce

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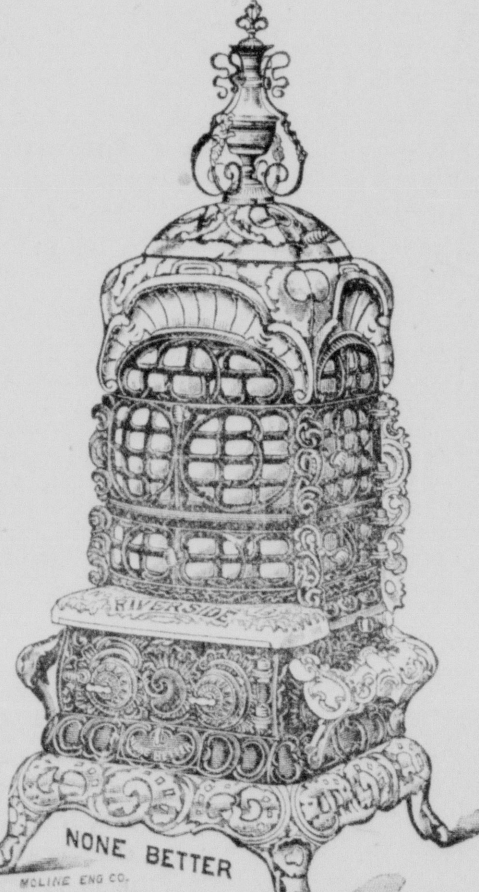
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Y. M. C. A. VOLUNTEER LEAGUE

A Men's Missionary Society.

One of the most important departments of the Young Men's Christian Association is its work for young men in foreign lands. Thru the agencies of the International Committee, with offices in New York City, and the World's Committee, with offices in Geneva, Switzerland, men and financial means are constantly being secured to carry on this work. Some years ago the "Student's Volunteer Movement" was started in the college department of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. which has resulted in sending hundreds of young men and women into the foreign fields as missionaries, also in raising money for foreign work, and in stimulating the prayer life of the students. Recently, there has been started a similar organization in the city department of the Y. M. C. A. called the "Volunteer League." Our local Y. M. C. A. is the first association in Illinois to effect such an organization and will hold its first monthly meeting tonight. The program tonight will be as follows: "The Work of the Volunteer League," by the leader, Mr. Herbert W. Morris; "The 200 Million Young Men in Foreign Lands," an address of John R. Mott, read by Mr. Royce Long; "The Work of the Y. M. C. A. in Foreign Fields," by Mr. Herbert Martin; "The Elements That Insure Permanency in Missionary Work" by Rev. S. H. Zandt. All men whether members or not are cordially invited to this interesting meeting which will be at 8 o'clock.

A Happy Old Age.

Aunt Kittie Rice of Mt. Morris, probably the oldest person in Illinois, celebrated her one hundred and second birthday anniversary at the home of her step-grandson last week Thursday. Among the number of guests present were two step-daughters, Mrs. Susan Thomas of Leaf River, who on the same day was 83 years of age; Mrs. Etnyre of Oregon, aged 76 years; and Mr. Peter Funk, a nephew, aged 81 years.

This remarkable group of aged people partook heartily of the bountiful dinner spread by their hostess, none having suffered any ill effects as a result of the day's pleasures, and Aunt Kittie remarked the day following that she had enjoyed an excellent night's rest.

During the past year Aunt Kittie has enjoyed fairly good health, and her condition bids fair for the addition of a number of more birthday anniversaries.

An Historical Spring.

Drouth does not as a general thing cause the appearance of springs. The dry weather has, however, caused low water in Rock river, and again, as it was many years ago, before the dam caused a backwater and overflow, there appears by the river brim, above the Island ferry landing on the south side, a pure spring from which people now procure their drinking water, as did Father Dixon and the early settlers before their wells were dug. That spring is the reappearance of an old landmark which was a blessing to many thirsty emigrants in this country where springs were few. Near that spring was a favorite camping ground for the Indian as well as the emigrant.

Conductor Hicks Shot.

Conductor Frank Hicks of Clinton, Iowa, was shot by tramps while on duty Wednesday night near Des Moines, the bullet passing thru one of his hands. According to the report, he was attempting to put some tramps off a Northwestern train, when one of them opened fire on him. It is said he had a narrow escape from fatal injury.

—Coal sells for 25 cents a ton more today than yesterday.

The Equalization Board.

The Board of Equalization of county taxes has about completed its work and will adjourn this evening. A couple of days session will be held next week for the signing of books, of which there are sixty, and to complete a little business with regard to neglected assessments. The work of the board has been of a character to require patient research and good judgments, and has been faithfully performed, and the assessment as it stands is the fairest we have had for many years. The assessments in Alto, Harmon and Palmyra have been considerably raised, and in Marion a re-assessment of personal property has been practically made. The general result will show a considerable increase in assessed valuation of property thruout the county, notwithstanding that the basis is twenty per cent instead of thirty-three per cent of actual value as heretofore. This shows that much personal property that has heretofore escaped the assessor's books has been brought to light and that real estate has had a healthy upward tendency. The board has been in session since the 10th of July, and since about that time we have had remarkably hot weather. Hereafter we may expect a more salubrious temperature.

Rural Mail Account.

The rural carrier reports having delivered during the month of August: Registered packages 2; letters 1,253; postal cards 203; papers and circulars 4,431; packages 53; making a total delivered of 5,942 pieces of mail. He collected letters 651; postal cards 61; papers and circulars 31; packages 3. Total collected 746. Total collected and delivered 6,688 pieces. The delivery was nearly 500 pieces greater than July, while the collections fell much short.

—R. H. Griffin is down from Polo.
—Eddie Oettinger is home from a visit at Freeport.

—Dr. Hunt, after an illness of over two weeks, expects to be at his office tomorrow.

—Reed March and friend came down from Nachusa to attend the band concert last night.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. McMahon have gone to Janesville and to visit the Wisconsin lakes.

—Miss Ruby March of Nachusa is spending the week with her cousin, Cecile Heckman.

—Mrs. William H. Key of Beloit, Wis., arrived this noon for a visit with Mrs. Geo. E. Krinbill.

—Miss Bertha Todd returned from Milwaukee last evening to resume her school duties next Monday.

—Margaret E. Monet of Janesville, Wisconsin, a new teacher in our public schools, is at the Nachusa House.

—Miss Alice Horner has gone to visit a week at Morrison and then go to her former home in Pennsylvania.

—A bunch of keys on a heart-shaped ring found on east Everett street can be had by owner calling at this office. Indication is they have been lost some time.

—Mrs. Nina Heckman entertained yesterday in honor of Mrs. O. C. Ford of Cherokee, Iowa, and tomorrow Mrs. Elias Bovey gives a picnic in her honor.

—E. E. Page, Ned Rossiter and Frank Thompson have gone to Minnesota to help out in threshing. They went by carriage to the Mississippi and up the river in a boat with a camping outfit.

—Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock The Little Betsie Company of Bluff Park will give its last entertainment of the season. All invited. Standing room only and space limited. Admission one cent. Money refunded if there is the least kick.

—On the second page we tell of the serious illness of the hermit, John Wind. Dr. A. F. Moore visited him Wednesday, going by rowboat from Hazelwood to the island, and found him lying under a tree, where he had been since Monday. He will probably be brought down to the hospital.

—Amy House, a 15-year-old girl of Rockford, is missing and suicide is feared. She purchased chloroform at a drug store yesterday and has not since been seen.

—Dixon carried away most of the premiums in the department of painting and drawing at the recent Sterling fair. On landscape in oil, Miss Anna E. Carpenter took first and A. Davidson second. Marine in oil, J. Rueland first. Any other in oil, Miss Carpenter, 1st and 2nd. Four figures in oil, J. Rueland 1st. Portrait in crayon Miss Carpenter 1st. Landscape in water colors, Miss Carpenter 2nd. Flowers in water colors, Miss Carpenter 2nd. Collection of fifteen pictures, Miss Carpenter 1st. Half a dozen cups and saucers, Miss Carpenter 1st and 2nd. Plate in figures, Miss Carpenter 1st. Pieces china not specified, Miss Carpenter 2nd.

—Mrs. Sarah Wooding entertained her sister from Harmon yesterday.

—Miss Ollie Carter of Sterling and aunt, Miss Rose Carter, were guests of Dixon friends recently.

SUBURBAN SIFTINGS.

Hints and Happenances in the Surrounding Towns and Villages.

GRAND DETOUR

Sept. 1.—Mrs. C. A. Hewett has returned to her home in Chicago.

Mrs. C. Joslyn of Clinton, Ia., is visiting her sister, Mrs. VanDyke.

Miss Pankhurst went to Ottumwa, Ia., yesterday.

C. A. Sheffield drove to Chana Wednesday.

Mrs. L. Foster and son of Chicago are spending a few days at the S. W. Earl home.

J. Gilman starts for Mt. Vernon tonight his wife and children go Friday.

Mrs. Over is visiting friends here for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Earl have moved into the Sawyer home. Mrs. Earl is to be our teacher the coming year.

G. Smith and wife of Palmyra drove to Grand Detour Sunday.

Messrs. L. S. Cool, Throop, Clark, Batchelor & Smith go the swamps for chickens today.

Mrs. Brubaker and son of Kansas are visiting her brother, J. H. Backman of the Kingdom. Monday p. m. the little fellow in sliding down a straw stack slipped and broke his arm at the elbow. Dr. Pankhurst is caring for it.

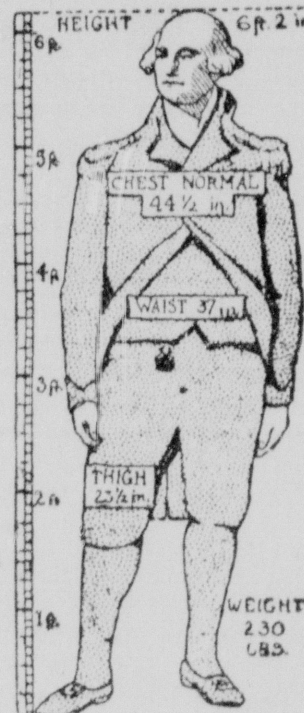
J. Gilman's sale was well attended and things sold well.

C. Lambert is moving to his new home; he has recently bought the W. H. Cox farm.

WASHINGTON AS A FIGHTER.

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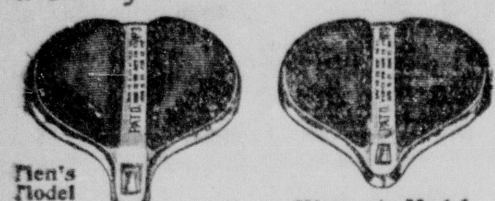
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RESOLVED, That until the further order of this board, there may be issued to each holder of one or more shares of capital stock of the Illinois Central Railroad Company, as registered on the books of the Company, a ticket enabling him, or her, to travel free over the Company's lines from the station on the Illinois Central Railroad nearest to his or her registered address, to Chicago and return, for the purpose of attending, in person, the meetings of stockholders. Such ticket to be good for the journey to Chicago only during the four days immediately preceding, and the day of the meeting, and for the return journey from Chicago only on the day of the meeting, and the four days immediately following when properly countersigned and stamped in the president's office. (These tickets will be countersigned and stamped in the office of W. G. BATES, Assistant Secretary, Chicago.) Such a ticket may be obtained by any registered holder of stock on application, in writing, to the president of the Company in Chicago. Each application must state the full name and address of the stockholder exactly as given in his or her certificate of stock, together with the number and date of said certificate. No more than one person will be carried free in respect to any one holding of stock as registered on the books of the company.

By order of the board of directors,
A. G. HACKSTAFF,
Secretary.

The next annual meeting of the stockholders of the Illinois Central Railroad Company will be held at the office of the Company, in Chicago, on Wednesday, September 27, 1907, at noon. For the purpose of this meeting, the Stock Transfer Books will be closed from the close of business on September 12th to the morning of September 26th.

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No care for where the road you take's a leading-anywhere.
It can but be a joyful jaunt the whilst you journey there.

The road you take's the path of love, an' that's the breadth of two—
And I will walk with you, my lad—O I will walk with you.

Ho! I will walk with you, my lad,
Be weather black or blue,
Or roadides frost or dew, my lad—
O I will walk with you.

Aye, glad, my lad, I'll walk with you, whatever winds may blow,
Or summer blossoms stay our steps, or blinding drifts of snow;
The way that you set face and foot's the way that I will go,
And brave I'll be, abreast of you, the saints and angels know.

With a loyal hand in a loyal hand, and one heart made of two,
Through summer's gold, or winter's cold, it's I will walk with you.

Sure, I will walk with you, my lad,
As Love claims me to—
To heaven's door, and through, my lad,
O I will walk with you.
—James Whitcomb Riley.

CUPID ON RUNNERS.

Littlewood Phillips had been in love with Mildred Farrington for two years, ever since he first met her at the Hollowell's card party. He had no good reason to doubt that his love was returned, yet so fearful was he that he had misread her feelings, so much did he dread her refusal of his suit, that he had never hinted that she was more to him than any of the girls he had met at the church socials and card parties. In Newington, innumerable chances for a declaration of love had offered themselves, for he was a regular caller at the Farrington mansion, but he was no nearer the goal of his desires to-day than he had been when Cupid first aimed his dart at him.

So matters stood when a snowfall that brought sleighing in its wake visited Newington, and Littlewood became conscious of the fact that he had actually asked Miss Farrington to take a ride with him. Of course he must perform bring matters to a crisis now. He was afraid that Judge Farrington would be asking his intentions and it would be humiliating to have such a question come before he could refer him to the girl for an answer. No, beyond a doubt he must pluck up courage enough to ask her to be his wife or else cease calling upon her—an alternative that chilled his heart.

Littlewood handed Miss Farrington into the sleigh, stepped in himself, tucked in the robes, and chirruped to the horse. That intelligent animal did not move. A flush of mortification overspread the face of the would-be lover. A balky horse, and at the start! What chance would he have to deliver his precious message. He spoke again to the horse, but it stood still.

"You might unhitch him, Mr. Phillips. That would help," said Mildred, in her sweet voice.

"O, yes—to be sure. I must have tied him. I—think I did hitch him."

"There seems to have been a hitch somewhere," she answered.

The frosty night seemed to have set a seal upon her lips, for as they sped over the crunching snow and left the town behind them she was silent.

"I must have offended her. I've probably made a break of some kind," said Littlewood to himself. "How unfortunate. But I must tell her to-night. It is now or never. This afternoon is too marked to pass as mere courtesy of the winter season. She knows I never took anybody but my mother sleigh-riding before."

Then began a process of nerving himself to the avowal. "Mildred," And then he stopped. He had never called her Mildred before. "I have something of the greatest importance to say to you."

Did he imagine it, or did she nestle closer to him? He must have been mistaken, and to show that he was quite sure he edged away from her as much as the somewhat narrow confines of the sleigh would allow.

"What do you wish to say, Mr. Phillips?"

"Mister" Phillips. Ah, then she was offended. To be sure, she had always called him that, but after his last remark it must have an added significance.

"I—do you like sleigh-riding?"

"Why, of course, or else I wouldn't have come."

"No, to be sure not. I thought that was why you came."

Mildred turned her brown eyes upon him. "I'm afraid I don't understand you."

That settled it. If she didn't understand him when he talked of sleighing in particular, he must be blind in his utterance, and he could never trust his tongue to carry such a heavy freight as a declaration of love. No, there was nothing to do but postpone it. After all, her house was the best place for it.

The night was ravishing, the sleigh bells jingled harmoniously, the horse swept on with steady, rhythmic stride, and under the influence of the sweet surroundings Mildred at last said pointedly: "Is it so that more people get engaged in winter than in summer?" She blushed as she spoke. It was unmaidenly, but he was such a dear stupid. Now he would declare himself. But she did not know the capabilities for self-repression of her two-year admirer.

He said to himself: "If I were unprincipled I would take advantage of the slip and propose, but I would bitterly reproach myself forever, whatever her answer was," so he said in as matter-of-fact a tone as he could master: "I really can't answer offhand, but I'll look it up for you."

"Do. Write a letter to the Sun."

Her tones were as musical as ever, but Littlewood thought he detected a sarcastic ring in them, and he thanked his stars that he had not yielded to his natural desire to propose at such an inauspicious time.

"What was that important thing

you wanted to say?" asked Miss Farrington, after several minutes of silence save for the hoofs, and the runners, and the bells.

"O, it wasn't of any importance. I mean it will keep. I—I was thinking of something else."

"I think you have gone far enough," said she innocently, looking over her shoulder in the direction of home. Maybe the return would loosen his obdurate tongue.

"I think that we'd better go back," he said, and turned so quickly that he nearly upset the sleigh. "Your mother will be anxious?"

"Yes, when one is accountable to one's mother one has to remember time. I suppose it is different when one is accountable to a—"

"Father?" said Littlewood stupidly. "No, that wasn't the word I wanted."

"Aunt?"

Could Mildred love him if he gave many more such proofs of being an abject idiot? "No, husband is what I want."

Littlewood's brain swam. He had been tempted once too often. This naïve girl had innocently played into his hands, and now the Rubicon must be crossed, even if its angry waters engulfed him.

"Pardon me, Miss—Mildred," if I twist your words into another meaning, but if you want a husband—do you think that I would do?"

A hand nestled on his shoulder, a little hand was in his, and when he passed the Farrington mansion neither he nor she knew it.—Atlanta Constitution.

The Gulf of Maine.

The gulf of Maine is a geographical division not marked on average maps, for it is chiefly referred to in scientific treatises on the general subject of the tides, says Collier's Weekly. It is formed by the great curve of the American coast from Cape Race, the eastern extremity of Newfoundland, westward and southward to Cape Cod and Nantucket. Into this curve during normal conditions of sea and air a current sets perpetually from the far north known as the Labrador current. It makes its way southward inside the gulf stream and cools the water, even in summer, as far as Nantucket sound. In the winter months, when northerly winds prevail, a terrific sea is hurled against those rockbound shores, and when rocks are wanting the sands are torn up and shifted, forming islands and new bars here and there, involving the shifting of myriads of tons in a single day, that may mean destruction to the unwary or even to the most wary of navigators.

Newfoundland and Nova Scotia reach well out into the track of these gales, and theoretically it would seem that their bold headlands might form something of a lee along the shores of Maine, and down perhaps almost as far as Nahant. But in point of fact they seem to have very little effect. Possibly the wind is drawn out of its general direction somewhat by the conformation of the shores, but at any rate when a northeaster is blowing there is very little shelter to be found, except in the landlocked harbors or behind the islands that are fortunately of frequent occurrence in the exposed region.

The government observers of ocean phenomena in their forecasts of North Atlantic weather for the winter months habitually predict gales of greater or less severity at intervals of about seven or eight days covering all this zone and extending southward as far as the Hatteras, or perhaps even till they melt away into the gentle trade winds of the tropics. But not even the hydrographic office ventures as yet to predict very far ahead the approach of phenomenal storms such as visited this coast at the end of November.

It could and did give warning several hours before the storm began to make itself felt at the Virginia capes and along up the Jersey shore. Hurricane signals were promptly set at every station away up the coast as far as the jurisdiction of the United States extended, and if the coastwise authorities of the British possessions had only been willing to accept the warning of American weather prophets they, too, might have shown danger signals for the benefit of their seafaring population.

To Good Use.

"Yes, cigarettes are a bad habit, but there is compensation in all things," said a young married woman to a Star man who was trying to lay the blame of his smoking on a silver pocket case his best girl had given him.

"You see," continued the young man, "I would rather Ned didn't smoke at all, but so long as he does I prefer cigarettes, and stipulate he shall roll them himself. It's the only way I can get my errands done for me downtown or ever make him remember to pay the gas bill on the last day before the discount is off. Oh, it is easy enough to work. You see, I go on the theory that it is not willful neglect of his home and family that makes a man forget to do downtown errands, but the simple fact that they get crowded out of his head while he is at business."

"Now, when Ned starts off in the morning I take his package of cigarette papers and write a memorandum on them in pencil. If it is stuff from the green grocer's I make a list on the top paper of the pack and he is sure to see it about the time he gets to the corner, and he goes in and leaves the order. If I want him to telephone Alice to run over from Mount Pleasant to luncheon I note the fact about three papers forward, and he is sure to get it soon after he gets to the office. When I have anything I want him to run out and attend to at noon, I put it in about the sixth paper, and he is certain to read it just as he is coming back to the office from his luncheon. And if it is something I want brought home for dinner, I only need to write 'bread' or 'beef-steak,' or whatever it is on the tenth paper, and it comes home promptly. I tell you there is nothing like executive ability when it comes to managing your husband."—Washington Star.

The Thistle Flower.

My homely flower that blooms along
The dry and dusty ways,
I have a mind to make a song,
And make it in thy praise;
For thou art favored of my heart,
Humble and outcast as thou art.

Though never with the plants of grace
In garden borders set,
Full often have I seen thy face
With tender tear-drops wet,
And seen thy gray and ragged sleeves
All wringing with them, moans and eyes.

Albeit thou livest in a bush
Or such unsightly form,
Thou hast not any need to blush—
And for that charm I love thee so,
And not for that outward show.

The iron-weed, so straight and fine,
Above thy head may rise,
And all in glossy purple shine;
But to my partial eyes
It can not charm thee—thou hast still
A place no finer flower can fill.

The fennel, she is courted at
The porch side and the door—
Thou hast no lovers, and for that
I love thee all the more;
Only the wind and rain to be
Thy friends, and keep thee company.
—Alice Cary.

BACK TO LIGHT AND LOVE.

I.

The silent stars looked down through a clear, still night upon a host of sleeping men. The brigade had advanced by forced marches, and now lay within two miles of the dervish camp. Tomorrow's dawn would see the assault. Two officers stood together, talking in low whispers, for it was of the utmost importance that the enemy should be taken by surprise, and the orders as to silence were strict.

"Buck up, old chap; you'll come through all right. And if not, what does it amount to? You've got no women-folk to bother about."

"No, thank heaven! It is in times like this that one is glad never to have married—like poor old Harcourt."

"Why poor?"

"I was thinking of his wife. I shouldn't care to be tied to an ugly woman myself."

"That's all rot, Hamilton," retorted the other. "I don't believe it matters a row of pins, so long, of course, as she isn't repulsive or underbred."

"Think so?"

"Yes. The most unlikely woman sometimes attract most."

"Well, old chap, I'm precious thankful I've no thoughts of woman to bother me to-night. I shall try for a lead to-morrow, even if I have got the route; we've a good chance of being first into the zareba."

"We will give you a race for it, anyhow. But we'd better try and get a sleep, for this awful heat takes it out of a fellow."

The two went to their separate posts. And as he lay sleepless, the thought came to Hamilton that it was somewhat lonesome to think that a woman's eyes would fill at the news of his death, and he looked upward at the stars above him, wondering where his soul would be to-morrow. The shadow of death lay upon him as, at times, it does upon the bravest soldier; he would fight none the worse for it in the morning.

The sun had risen.

In the previous short half-hour of dawn the assault had been delivered; the dervish forces had been driven from their intrenchments, and now the black, grinning "Gypsys" were fraternizing and triumphing with their laughing and chaffing white comrades.

Backward, across the half-mile of plain, the surgeons were busy. Away to the southward could be heard the sounds of pursuit, as the British Lancers chased the flying Baggara.

A field hospital at the front is not a pleasant place, neither can it be described in cold black and white. War correspondents, as readers of the dailies have no doubt noticed, judiciously avoid more than the merest mention of such places.

There were some ghastly cases, and both surgeons and assistants had been worked hard. But the pressure was over, and at last there was time to attend to the wounds which were not deadly.

"Now, Hamilton, let's see," said Surgeon-Major Murphy, approaching an officer who lay motionless on a stretcher—who had so lain half an hour at least. The doctor looked his patient over, gave a low whistle, and beckoned to one of the orderlies, who at that moment turned his head.

"Look, see, Dawkins, here's a bad case! He must go back to hospital!"

"Bad as that, doctor?" asked the motionless man, faintly.

"Tis so! Now you keep quiet."

Lieut. Hamilton had been totally blinded by the explosion of a shell in an earthwork as, well in front, he was leading his company. He was sent to the rear—to the hospital—and Sister May was given charge of him.

He had not much pain, only he was blind. Treatment appeared to have no effect on this; it seemed likely to be a long business. The days began to hang heavily. Then came the old story: "Love in idleness."

Hospital sisters do not cease to be women when they take up their work. Sister May was just as susceptible to love as though she had been a silly young thing of 18, though, in fact, she was 10 years older. And he? Pity being akin to love, the recipient of pity runs a double risk. Her voice was soft and musical, her touch was soothing, her care of him seemed first motherly, then sisterly, then—

So it was that by easy stages they drifted into that strange attraction which the world calls "love."

And her one fear was that some day he might see again. The surgeon said it was just possible, and was advising a consultation with the world-famed Prof. Angenwirth of Graefrath. She prayed against the possibility, for in her own eyes she was plain—nay, ugly past redemption. Yet, though she could not realize it, her too large mouth and prominent teeth, her irreg-

ular nose, and all the fancied imperfections of her face mattered little; for her large gray eyes were soft and full of animation, her skin was like velvet, her figure and carriage perfect. But, woman-like, she could only dwell upon her facial defects, and was full of apprehension lest some day his sight should be restored and, seeing her features, he should loathe her.

Her cousin Kate, a sister nurse, seeing how things tended, chaffed her unmercifully.

"Now, May, I thought you had long ago sacrificed your life to nursing; and yet the first good-looking young lieutenant—"

"He will always want nursing, Kate," she faltered, in excuse.

"Ah! but suppose Dr. Haggerty is right, and his sight comes back; he won't want any nursing then."

Sister May did not answer.

A week later Hamilton left the hospital for Graefrath full of hope. The night previous to his departure they came to an indefinite understanding and though she would not give an unqualified answer to his pleadings, she had not the courage to stop him altogether. In recklessness she allowed herself to drink in the sweets of his passionate words; they would at any rate be a life-long remembrance, even though on his return he should cast her off.

The operation was successful beyond his hopes, and in a few weeks he was rushing back to his love—eyes shaded, it is true, but with the certainty that in a short time his sight would be fully restored.

"I want to see Miss Johnstone," he said to the orderly at the hospital entrance.

"Miss Johnstone, sir? Which?"

"Why, the nurse."

"Yes, sir; but there's two of them."

"Well—she's very good-looking. I did not know there were two."

"Oh, yes, sir; there's two. But I know the one you mean now."

And he was shown into the waiting-room.

"Gentleman wants me? Who can it be?" Then the door opened. He started forward.

"My love!" he whispered. "I knew you were beautiful. I have come back to claim you."

Sister Kate drew back, startled. For this man with the shade over his eyes the moment she could not imagine who could be. In that moment he had drawn her to him, and was wildly pouring out his love.

In that moment also the door again opened, an Sister May, looking in, saw all.

She faltered, and dropped back, the beating of her heart choking her for the minute.

"Stop, sir!" said Kate, regaining her senses. "You must be Mr. Hamilton?"

"Yes," he answered, amazed, releasing her.

This frivolous little voice was not that of his love. This over-frizzed hair, these shallow eyes were not beautiful at the second glance. What had he done?

"Are not you Miss Johnstone?"

"Yes, Kate Johnstone."

"Kate? And is your sister—?"

"Constance."

"Is she not here?"

"Yes," said Kate, with a smile. "Stay here. I will fetch her."

"Why, May, you there?" she whispered, on finding her at the threshold, and wondering if she had seen or heard. "Here is Mr. Hamilton. Come."

"No, never! I will never see him!" she panted, between her heart beats.

"Nonsense! He has come back on purpose for you, and his eyes are all right."

"Yes, and he expects to see a pretty girl like you!" retorted May, bitterly.

"Look her, May, don't you be a fool! Go in; he is waiting."

But Hamilton had already grown impatient. The door opened and he saw them both.

"Here she is," said Kate.

"Ah!" he said.

Sister May looked down, trembling.

"Are you May Johnstone, my dear nurse?" he asked, his voice full of tenderness and love.

"Yes," she whispered.

Kate had disappeared; they were alone.

"My darling, I have come for you," he said.

"But—you can see now?"

She looked up recklessly and their eyes met.

"Yes, thank God; I can see my love!"

Then she surrendered herself.

British Drum Horses.

In the army of Great Britain the bands of cavalry are mounted, and the honorary position in these musical cavalcades is that of the bearer of the kettle-drums. The horse selected for this high position is often piebald, but this particular coloring is not essential to the office; the animal may be pure white. At any rate, his appearance must be consistent with the show-piece he is in the band. His education is severe and persistent, bringing him at last up to that point where his pride and intelligence make him a dignified and graceful bearer of the handsome trappings that surround his high calling. His nerves are severely tried by the booming of the enormous drums he is destined to bear, but in time he becomes as indifferent to the noise as do his brothers to the singing bullets. In the parade his rider has his hands full in the use of the sticks. He controls the steed by means of the reins, which are fastened to the stirrup near the foot. The fame of the drum horse is often won on the field of battle. His duty classes him with the war horse, and his similar lines lies his path to glory and renown. The horse that wins laurels in the battlefield and carries himself with becoming dignity in the parades of peace will sometimes find himself in the line of promotion to the proud position of drum horse in the regimental band.—Woman's Home Companion.

Bit the Dust.

The landlady rapped on the table for attention.

"Gentlemen, I suppose you are all patriotic?"

"We are!" came the hearty response.

"And you all love your native soil?"

"Couldn't love it better!" came in chorus.

"I am glad to hear it, for you must surely enjoy the few grains of sand that refused to part company with the strawberries."

Insult to Injury.

Cholly—"I was walking down the avenue, dear boy, when a common woman allowed her beastly flowerpot to fall on my head."

Reggy—"How painful?"

Cholly—"It wasn't the pain, dear boy, it wuth what the dweidful woman said."

Reggy—"What did she say?"

Cholly—"Said she wuth glad her flowerpot landed on a soft place and didn't break."

Willing to Qualify.

A few days ago a recruit was taken to be sworn in by the magistrate. Everything was going on swimmingly till the magistrate asked the man the following question: "Have you ever been in prison?" At this the man looked startled, but, quickly recovering himself, he blurted out: "No, sir, I have never been in jail, but I don't mind doing a few days if you think it necessary."—London Telegraph.

Glorious News

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No Loss to Time.

Mr. W. S. Whedon, Cashier of the First National Bank of Winterset, Iowa, in a recent letter gives some experience with a carpenter in his employ that will be of value to other mechanics. He says: "I had a carpenter working for me who was obliged to stop work for several days on account of being troubled with diarrhoea. I mentioned to him that I had been similarly troubled and that Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy had cured me. He bought a bottle of it from the druggist here and informed me that one dose cured him, and he is again at his work." For sale by Rowland Bros.

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That rheumatism in its worst form can be cured by proper treatment is shown by this interview with Mat Tanner, of 231 Hamilton St., Albany, N. Y. He said: "I was taken with rheumatism that began in my hips and spread throughout my body. For two years and a half I was confined to my bed. I employed nine of the best physicians of Albany, and two specialists from New York, but all declared my case hopeless. My niece recommended Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. The use of several boxes enabled me to leave my bed and go about with crutches. Finally I abandoned the crutches, and am now as well as ever. No praise of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People is too strong for my case."

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They can not hide thee from thy Father's heart.
Thou liest below, and I stand here above,
Yet we are not apart.
The lyric patter of the little feet
That made a noem of the nursery floor,
Thy sweet eyes dancing toward me from the street.
Are with me evermore.
My breath is balmy with thy clinging kiss,
My hand is soft where thy soft fingers lay;
And yet there is something which I miss
And mourn for night and day.
Mine eyes ache for thee; God's heaven is so high
We can not see its singers—when thou dost
With thy lark's voice make palpitant all the sky.
I moan and pain the most.
Because the hunger of my spirit runs
Most swift, in its swift asking after thee,
I yearn through all the systems and the suns.
But none doth answer me,
—Richard Realf.

HER BIRTHDAY GIFT.

The glow and glitter of a tropical midnight was over the lonely tent where Col. Temple lay dying—the monotonous chirp of some East Indian night bird filled the air with mournful melody, and the little clock had just struck 12.

"Darrell, you'll not forget," said the sick man, suddenly raising himself on his elbow.

"I'll not forget, Leopold," Maj. Darrell responded, soothingly. "Lie down and be at rest; your last wishes shall faithfully be carried out."

"I know it is asking a good deal of you," resumed Col. Temple, "but she is all the relation I have in the world—the only child of my only sister. Poor Lily!—I sometimes think that if I had been a little kinder to her she wouldn't have run away with the villain who married her. But that's all past and gone—past and gone! They sent her to an orphan asylum somewhere—the child, I mean. And she is at service now—Lily Temple's child—my niece and heiress! Ha! ha! ha!"

And Col. Temple laughed a hoarse, bitter laugh that changed to a groan. Darrell bent over him in some dismay. The turbaned East Indian servant advanced.

"I told you so," he signaled to his master's friend. "He is going out with the turn of the tide—20 minutes past 12."

Dhurum Jashee was right. At 20 minutes past 12 Col. Leopold Temple died.

"Children, will you keep still? How on earth am I to commit my spelling lesson if you make such a racket as this?"

Lydia Kempfield sat before the kitchen table, her thumbs in her ears, her fingers thrust through her uncombed tresses, and her elbows among the unwashed dishes. She was an overgrown girl of 13, with long limbs, long arms, and great black eyes, generally half-veiled by tangled hair, a skin as brown as a berry, and a bib-apron so dirty that it looked as if she might have used it—as she probably had—for a duster.

"Bother the spelling, B. A. Ba—K E R, ker, Ba-ker," barked out Master Rodolphe Jones, balancing himself neatly on the back of his chair. Wash the dishes, first, Lyddy, or I'll tell ma."

"I can't; the water ain't hot. Mind your own business, Rode!"

"I know sometin'," croaked Philip Augustus Jones, who was making pies of ashes on the hearth. "May says she is goin' to choke off this 'ere evenin' school business for Lyddy. Ma's goin' to take in shirts and set Lyddy at the buttonholes."

"Tell us a story, Lyddy!" coaxed Meggy, the youngest and least tolerable of the lot. "Please! Just one before I go to school."

"Well, then, listen!" said Lydia, suddenly turning around. Rodolphe descended from his aerial height. Philip Augustus left his pies to the mercy of the cat, who at once proceeded to roll over in them, and Meggy leaned her elbows on Lydia's knee.

"Go on, Lyddy; we're all ready," they cried in chorus.

"Once upon a time, children, there was a palace, all made of gold, with the windows of clear diamonds, and—"

But the unexpected opening of the kitchen door knocked the castles of gold and diamonds into the dim realms of nothingness, and Mrs. Jones flounced suddenly in, while a tall gentleman blocked up the doorway, his dark, questioning eyes seeming to take in the whole scene at a glance.

"There!" cried Mrs. Jones, spitefully, "if you want to see my kitchen girl, here she is, and much good may the sight do you! But she's bound legal and lawful to me till she's 18, and I'm one as knows my rights as well as another! No, and ain't to be cheated out of 'em, neither—not if I know it!"

Maj. Darrell's aristocratic lip curled slightly. For the life of him he could not help recoiling in spirit from the uninviting tableau.

Lydia—dirty, greasy, and uncombed—the clamorous children, the reeking kitchen! And Lydia's great dusky eyes saw it all. How she wished she were a little mouse, to run away and hide from sight at that instant!

"Exactly," said Maj. Darrell, slowly. "Of course, your inconvenience will be peculiarly considered, Mrs.—ahem—Mrs."

"Jones, sir," interrupted the virago, now all smiles and courtesies. "To be sure, sir—I might have known you would ha' done the correct thing. And Lyddy's a very good girl, when she ain't mooning over her books."

"You will come with me at once, my child," said Maj. Darrell. "I am your guardian—the representative of the wishes of your deceased uncle, Col. Leopold Temple. The carriage is at the door."

And so Lydia Kempfield vanished from the domestic stage of the little Joneses, and the castle of gold and diamonds was never finished.

"Is that the wild girl of the woods

you have with you, Darrell?" questioned Mrs. Seacord, contemptuously, as Maj. Darrell waited patiently in one of the great fashionable temples of the city for poor Lydia to be measured for a clean and decent outfit of clothing.

"Looks like it, doesn't she?" laughed the major. "I think myself she is rather an unpromising specimen."

"What an ugly face," said Mrs. Seacord, lowering her voice. "Who did you say she was?"

"Leopold Temple's niece—and heiress, by the way—and my ward. Is that your carriage, Mrs. Seacord? Pray, allow me the pleasure."

As the courteous major escorted Mrs. Seacord to her coupe Lydia twitched herself out of the dressmaker's hand and ran up to the great mirror.

"They are right," she said to herself after a momentary survey. "I am ugly, I do look like the wild girl of the woods, and I wish I was dead—so there!"

And she silently went back to Mrs. Threadneedle, who sat in a sort of mild amazement waiting her erratic notions.

The next day she went to boarding school. Maj. Darrell left her at Beauchamp lodge, with a kindly shake of the hand.

"Good-by, Lydia," said he. "I hope you will do well. Of course I shall receive quarterly reports of you, and in case of sickness or any necessity pray call upon me as you would upon your own father."

So he went away. Lydia stood staring after him, with great, glittering eyes and set lips.

"He never kissed me—he never stroked my hair," she thought. "He don't care for me; nobody cares for a wild girl of the woods! Why couldn't they have left me alone in the kitchen?"

Maj. Darrell was absent in India eight more years, and when he returned the silver threads were beginning to mingle in his chestnut-brown locks.

"I suppose I must go and see the little wild girl," he thought, as he sat alone by the hotel fire the first night of his arrival on American shores. And as the reluctant sense of duty forced itself on his mind a soft tap sounded at the door.

"Come in," said Lionel Darrell, thinking only of his slippers or the newspaper, and in walked a tall, beautiful girl, slender as a reed and graceful as a lily stalk, with purple-black curls, looped back from a low, broad brow, and eyes of a melting violet-black. She wore a simple gray silk, exquisitely made and in excellent taste, and a scarlet cashmere scarf was thrown picturesquely across her shoulders.

"Good evening, guardian," said she, gayly. "I've come to welcome you home. I saw your arrival in the morning paper, and as I chanced to be in town with Mrs. Beauchamp, I took advantage of the opportunity."

"Eh?" gasped the major; "you—you are never little Lydia, the wild girl of the woods?"

"But I am," she said, laughing, shaking back her curls. "Time works wonders, you see, and I'm so tired of Beauchamp lodge! You'll take a house, won't you, guardian, and let me come and pour tea and coffee for you? And let it be by the seashore, please; I delight in the sea."

"It shall be wherever you say," quoth Maj. Darrell, fairly bewildered by the beautiful vision.

The house was taken and furnished regularly; a vinegar-visaged old housekeeper and three maids engaged, besides the major's copper-colored Malay valet. And Lydia, the homeless, came home!

"My twenty-first birthday, guardian," said she, with pretty imperiousness. "What did you bring me for a present? I dare say you forgot all about it."

"No, I did not," said the major, valiantly. "I have brought you a husband, little girl."

"Whom?"

"Myself! Will you marry the battered old campaigner, Lydia?"

And then, and not till then, pretty, blushing Lydia whispered a secret to her guardian.

"Dearest, I have loved you ever since that day when you first saw me in the dirt and dust of Mrs. Jones' kitchen."

"And you never told me."

"It was for you to speak first," she laughed.

And this was Lydia's fortune, better than any castle of gold and diamonds.—New York News.

Tells the Weather.

In Finland atmospheric changes can be foretold by a species of stone, known as "semakur," which actually foretells the probable changes in the weather. In dry, fine weather the stone is of a dark gray color, mottled with white spots, but before approaching showers or thick mists it blackens all over—most conspicuously, of course, at the spaces which were previously white, and gradually returns again to its former state as the weather improves.

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The cast-off shell of a species of crab in Chile answers the same purpose, being extremely sensitive to atmospheric changes. It remains quite white in fair, dry weather, while approaching rain is indicated by the appearance of small red spots, which grow both in number and size as the moisture of the air increases.

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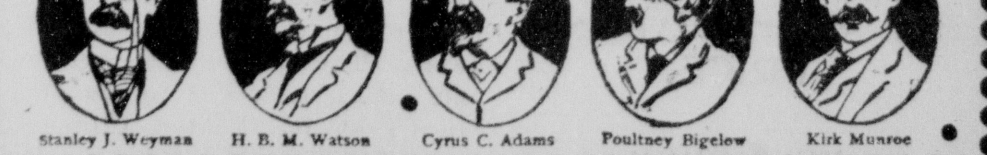
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—Lou Rosbrook went to Chicago this forenoon.
—Forest Home Lodge, A. O. U. W., meets tonight.
—J. E. Sanders is here on business from Franklin Grove.
—T. J. Miller is home from a business trip to Chicago.
—The curfew will ring at 8 o'clock tonight, and hereafter.
—Riverview vs. Dewey nines at Riverview ball grounds Sunday.
—John Deeter loaded a car of mill stuff for Sublette this morning.
—Daniel Delaney and family are home from a visit at Dubuque.
—Rev. J. C. Sage, wife and daughter are home from a visit up north.
—Albert Leland started this afternoon on a two-week's vacation west.
—Dr. O. B. Blackman went to Morrison on the noon train to visit a patient.
—Editor Charles A. Bancroft of the Ashton Gazette is here today on business.
—George Maxwell expects to start tomorrow east to join his wife in a visit there.
—W. C. Godfrey is presenting lady callers at his store with a copy of "What to Eat."

—Miss Lottie Donovan went to Chicago last evening to visit her sister, Mrs. Fitzgerald.
—Miss Daisy Brubaker leaves tomorrow for Oakland, Ill., where she will teach next winter.
—J. Leander Hess is home from Waukesha, Wisconsin, somewhat improved in health.
—Miss Margaret McGrath of Chicago is visiting at the William Wood home on East Seventh street.
—Rain came as close as the John L. Lord farm last evening. All north of that in Palmyra was well soaked.
—Ross Bowles was in the country south of Harmon yesterday and purchased a nice driving horse for Dr. Hunt.
—It is a little gratifying, somewhat, to learn that there was a heavy rain north of us yesterday in the vicinity of Polo.
—R. L. Johnson and wife are moving into their new home on Crawford avenue. Adolph Eichler will occupy the house they vacate.
—John H. Steel and sister, Mrs. Lovitt, of Minneapolis, are visiting friends in Dixon for a few days. They spent today in Sterling.
—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Horner are moving from North Dixon to the lower portion of the Fred Humphrey house on Crawford avenue.
—Mr. and Mrs. Blinn Smith drove in from their home near the Mound this morning. Mrs. Smith is recovering nicely from her illness.
—Miss Mame Raymond has returned to her home at Raymond, South Dakota, after a three weeks visit here at the Josiah Fry and R. H. Scott homes.
—F. X. Newcomer left this morning for a ten days vacation which he will spend on a trip to Niagara Falls, Philadelphia and Washington. He will also visit friends in Hagerstown, Maryland.
—Misses Sadie and Mamie O'Hair of Sterling, Miss Florence Allen of Austin and Miss Hattie Murray of Chicago, who have been visiting at the Peter O'Malley home, went to Sterling this morning.
—In reply to inquiries as to the condition of James H. Todd, we learn that he is about the same as he has been for several days past. While he passed a comparatively restful night last night, there is little hope of permanent improvement.
—Charles Courtright, a graduate of the Northwestern College of Pharmacy, Chicago, entered the service of Parker & Winders this morning. W. L. Baker has resigned his position in the store and will go to Des Moines, Ia., to attend a college of pharmacy.
—The German Lutheran Congregation will celebrate their "Missionsfest" at Assembly Park next Sunday. At 10 o'clock a. m. the service will begin under conduct of Rev. M. Ren, Rock Falls. The afternoon service beginning at 2 o'clock will be conducted by Rev. Prof. R. Richter, Clinton, Ia., and will be notable for several orations on home and foreign mission by Rev. Prof. R. Richter and others. The choir of the German Evangelical Lutheran church of Ashton and Dixon will give additional attraction to the celebration by singing several songs both in the forenoon and afternoon. Admission free.

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We have a line of 100 pants patterns, which we offer at a reduction of \$2 to \$4, on each pair. Also a large and complete line of Suitings and Overcoats, proportionately low. This offer good until Sept. 15th, 1899.

L. A. RANKE,
Cutter and Manager.
162 Peoria avenue. 35t

Minstrels.
Many new innovations in the field of Minstrelsy are introduced this season. The singing with the organization is an especially strong feature. The "Crimson First Part," is a dream of beauty. The scenic overtures have been especially painted by Menfield and the trapings, costumes and wardrobe harmonize, making a dainty feast for the eye. Street parade. Get your reserved seat. Tomorrow night, Dixon Opera House.

Central Illinois Holiness Camp Meeting, Bloomington and Normal, Aug. 25 to Sept. 3.

The Illinois Central Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets to Bloomington and Normal, Aug. 25 to Sept. 3d. At one and one-third fare for the round trip. Tickets good for return until Sept. 4, inclusive.

See HAYNES for the best photos. 253t6

Shepard's. Shepard's To-morrow
Great Minstrel Jubilee. Night.
Ogawa's Famous Troupe of Night.
Royal Japanese. Dixon
Cake Walk of the Opera
Poster Girls. House.

For County Fair, Wheaton, Ill.,
The North-Western Line will sell excursion tickets at reduced rates, August 29 to September 2, inclusive, limited to include September 4. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western Railway.

Minstrels. Minstrels. Tomor-
They come with the strongest row
Endorsements. Shepard's Night.
Up-to-Date, Full of Opera
Specialties. Minstrels. House.

"WHAT TO EAT."
Any lady calling at W. C. Godfrey's store can get a copy of the September number of this magazine. See partial table of contents in his ad. 253t1

NOTICE.
I will give lessons in Art Embroidery to those wishing to take from September 1st to the 15th. MISS MAE LONGDON. 253t2

Excursion Tickets to County Fair at Rockford, Ill.

Via the North-Western Line, will be sold at reduced rates, September 2 to 8, inclusive, limited to September 9. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western Ry.

Race Meeting Nutwood Driving Club, Dubuque, Ia., Aug. 28 to Sept. 2, 1899.

For above meeting the Illinois Central will sell excursion tickets to Dubuque and return at one fare for the round trip. Tickets on sale August 28th to September 2nd, good to return until September 4th, inclusive.

\$1.25 pays for 1 dozen Ovals at HAYNES. 253t6

NOTICE.
50,000 Coupons—one given away with each 10-cent purchase at Huguet & Heidenreich's, manufacturers of Ice Cream and Candies, wholesale and retail, also a first-class restaurant in connection with the Ice Cream Parlors. Meals 25 cents, meal tickets for sale, every Sunday a first-class dinner for 25 cents, menu in every Saturday's paper. Special prices to lodges, parties, socials, etc. Please call and sample goods and prices before buying elsewhere. Do not forget the Coupons at No. 3, Opera Block, Dixon. 35t1&25t1t

HAYNES' Studio open again. Photos better than ever. 253t6

Dr. Prettyman,

The well known specialist will be at Dixon, Thursday, September 7th.

The doctor has been coming here regularly for years and has so well established himself that he is always assured a large practice. He has proven himself worthy, well qualified and strictly reliable in every case. The sick can begin a course of treatment with this doctor with the assurance that he will always be on hand to complete the course. Others come and stay a short time and then are gone, leaving their patients uncured or much worse off than before, but Dr. Prettyman stays with them until a permanent cure is effected.

The most pleasing photo is made by HAYNES. 253t6

Very Low Rates to New York City, Via the North-Western Line, from all stations. Excursion tickets to be sold September 1, 2 and 3, and only for trains arriving at Chicago September 1 to 4, inclusive. Apply to agents for full particulars.

Minstrels. Minstrels.
35 35 35 35 35 Tomorrow
And Understand Their Night.
Great "Crimson First Part."

The dining room of The Mrs. Clark Co., 151-153 Wabash Ave., Chicago, is the best appointed and most modern restaurant in the city. It has been recently refitted, improved and enlarged and has an elaborate menu at moderate prices. It caters to those who demand the best.

The restaurant for men only, on the 17th floor of the Association building, 153 La Salle street, is also run by this company and is equally inviting and attractive. 253 e-o d 1

WANTED.

ONE German and one English lady clerk wanted at Greenawalt's Quality & Bargain Store. 253t1

A PLACE to do chores for board and room while attending school this year. Best of reference. Apply to F. E. BAXTER at College office. 251t4*

GIRL competent to do general housework. Inquire or address "T," care this office. 250t

TABLE board and a few rooms. Terms reasonable. 258 Monroe avenue and Third street. 248t

IRON, copper, lead, zinc, rags, rubber, and bottles. Highest cash prices paid. Will call for same. Drop us a postal. RUBENSTEIN & SLABEDOWSKY, 107 First St. 253t26t

COMPETENT girl for general housework. Apply to Mrs. G. W. L. BROWN, 421 Hennepin avenue. 243t

PAUL C. MOREHEAD binds books, makes blank books, sample cases, filing cases, scrap books, portfolios, Kodak Albums, etc., etc. 1st First street, over Star office. 243t

COOK—woman. Apply at Hotel Bishop. 241t

FOR SALE.

5 ROOM COTTAGE at Loveland Place, near Milk Factory; lot 40x150. Only \$700. Easy terms. Side walks and shade trees. 251t3

DESIRABLE Building Lots cheap, on South Galena avenue. Apply to J. H. MOORE. 250t

SHOT Gun Shells, highest grade, hand and machine loaded. Call and get prices before buying. At E. R. KENT'S. 250t6*

LOADED SHELLS—Best quality Shot Gun Shells, both black and smokeless for Prairie Chickens, Ducks and Snipe. R. P. WOODFORD. 249t6

WINE—I have several barrels of Old Concord Grape Wine, which I will deliver to any part of the city at \$2 per gallon in bulk or bottles, to suit customers. Orders thru Post Office promptly attended to. At 301 Hennepin avenue, two doors south of the new Schoolhouse. THOMAS ROBERTS. 248t156

NEW 2 STORY HOUSE and fine lot 50x150 feet, splendid location; for sale cheap if taken at once. Apply at this office. 36t

FOR RENT.

THE west half of double house, 399 West First street. Inquire of Mrs. HALSTEAD. 252t3*

SIX room house to desirable tenant. Steady employment will be given to boy 15 to 18 years. Inquire of GEORGE SQUIRES. 250t6*

SEVEN room house, modern improvements, 150 feet west of Park on Chamberlain street. Vacant September 15th. Inquire of A. BEEDER. 249t

SEVEN room house. Enquire of J. W. KENT, 18 East Second street. 247t

SEVEN room house with barn. In good repair. No. 557 South Galena avenue. Enquire at Sheriff's residence. 245t

EIGHT room house and good barn. D. M. FAHRNEY. 245t

TWO new six room houses for rent, hard and soft water, on West Chamberlain street. Inquire of owner H. O. SOPER, 161 West Chamberlain street. 244t

HOUSE of eight rooms one and one-half blocks south of Nachusa House on Galena avenue. Apply to THOMAS DOLAN. 215t

FLAT of seven rooms, one block from the Court House. Apply at this office. 201t

THREE rooms suitable for office or sleeping. Inquire of WILL BEIER. 151t

MONEY TO LOAN.

MONEY to loan, insurance of all kinds, surety bonds and real estate. A. E. SIMONSON, Schuler Building. 243t

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No. 12, First Street, Dixon, Illinois.
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PROMPT DISPOSAL of all our SPRING AND SUMMER SUITS regardless of cost or former selling prices. Values that will astonish you. Seasonable garments at prices barely covering the cost of material. It's a determination to clear our counters and shelves of everything pertaining to Summer Goods. This is by all odds the greatest bargain event in the Clothing Line you have ever had an opportunity to take advantage of.

Good Clothing Never
So Cheap as Now.

Men's Clothing Department.

MEN'S SUITS, about 300 in all, the remainder of our spring and summer stock; Suits that sold up to now at \$10.00, \$12.50 and \$15.00, our clearing sale price.....	\$6.95
"Monarch" Colored Shirts \$1.50 and \$1.25 grade at.....	98c
Balbriggan Underwear all sizes at.....	25c
Ladies' Tan Shoes worth \$2.00 at.....	\$1.39
Ladies' Tan and Black Shoes Kid and Vesting Top.....	1.98
Men's Strictly Solid Leather Shoes lace or congress at....	1.25
Men's Extra Fine Satin Calf Shoes "Top Notch" Lace or Congress at.....	1.48
Men's Black and Tan Shoes all styles, high grade at....	1.98
Boys' Solid Leather Shoes 2 1/2 to 5 1/2 at.....	1.25
Youths' Solid Leather Shoes 12 to 2 at.....	1.10
Little Gent's Black and Tan Shoes 9 to 13 at.....	98c
Men's Strictly All Wool Suits, worth \$7.50, at.....	4.50
Men's All Linen Crash Suits worth \$5.....	1.98
Men's Pants worth \$2.50 at.....	1.50
Boy's Long Pants Suits Fine All Wool Velour Cassimers former price \$7.50 now.....	4.95
Children's Suits, Knee Pants, ages 3 to 16 years former prices \$3.50 and \$4, now.....	2.48
Our Entire Line of 50c Shirts—Madras Percales and Cheviots with collars and cuffs attached and detached beautiful selections.....	39c

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MEN'S \$3.00 GOODYEAR WELT FINE TAN VICI KID SHOES, AT \$1.95

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TELL THE NEIGHBORS. Money Back on Demand. Opera Block. Wholesale and Retail.

Assembly Notice.

The Assembly is over, but the assembly of buyers at the Big Shoe Sale of YATES & SMITH will commence today and continue for thirty days. To make room for fall stock we will sell our entire stock of Ladies', Gents' and Childrens Summer Shoes regardless of cost. THESE ARE FACTS, and as Sam Jones says: "When you meet a fact, camp with it."

Remember the number.
YATES & SMITH,
No 6 East First Street.